

# **C\*-envelopes and Nuclearity related properties of Operator Systems**

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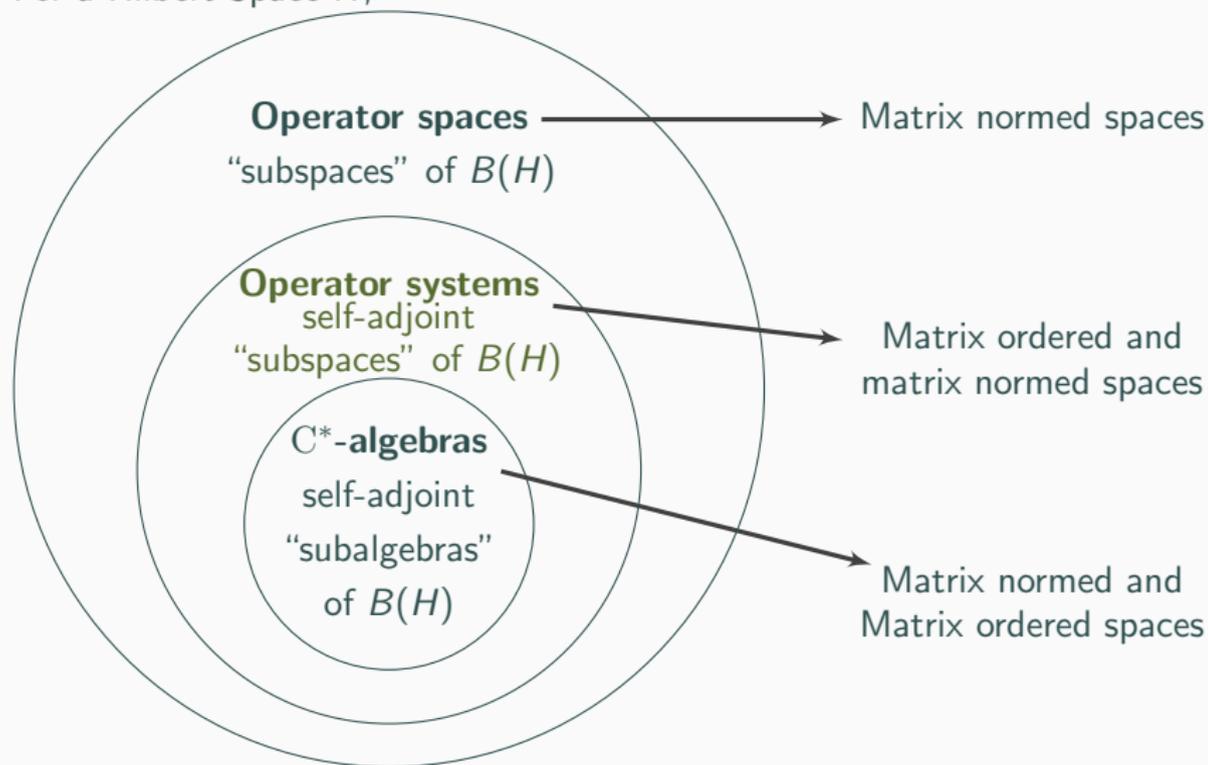
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For a Hilbert Space  $H$ ,



## Abstract operator space

A normed space  $V$  with a sequence of norm

$\|\cdot\|_n : M_n(V) \rightarrow [0, \infty) : n \in \mathbb{N}$  (known as *matrix norm*) is said to be an *abstract operator space*; if the following conditions are satisfied:

- 1  $\|v \oplus w\|_{n+m} \leq \max\{\|v\|_n, \|w\|_m\}, v \in M_n(V) \text{ and } w \in M_m(V);$
- 2  $\|\alpha v \beta\|_n \leq \|\alpha\| \|\|v\|_n\| \|\beta\| \quad \forall \alpha \in M_{m,n}, \beta \in M_{m,n}, v \in M_n(V).$

- $\phi : V \rightarrow W$  between operator spaces  $V$  and  $W$  is said to be *completely bounded* (abbreviated as c.b.) if

$$\|\phi\|_{cb} := \sup\{\|\phi_n\| : n \in \mathbb{N}\} < \infty,$$

where  $\phi_n : M_n(V) \rightarrow M_n(W)$  is defined by

$$\phi_n((x_{ij})) = (\phi(x_{ij})) \text{ for all } (x_{ij}) \in M_n(V).$$

- $\phi$  is a complete isometry if each  $\phi_n$  is so

## Ruan(1988)

If  $V$  is an abstract operator space, then  $V$  is completely isometrically isomorphic to a linear subspace  $B(\mathcal{H})$  for some  $\mathcal{H}$ .

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- $\mathcal{C}_n \subset M_n(V)_h$  is a cone
- $\mathcal{C}_n \cap (-\mathcal{C}_n) = \{0\}$
- $A \in M_{m,n} \implies AC_nA^* \subset \mathcal{C}_m$ .
- $e_n := \text{diag}(e, e, \dots, e) \in M_n(V)_h$  satisfies:

$$x \in M_n(V)_h \implies re_n - x \in \mathcal{C}_n \quad \text{for some } r > 0, \quad \text{and}$$

$$te_n + x \in \mathcal{C}_n \quad \text{for all } t > 0 \implies x \in \mathcal{C}_n$$

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### Theorem (Choi-Effros(1977))

*If  $(V, \{\mathcal{C}_n\}_{n=1}^\infty, e)$  is an abstract operator system, then there exists a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , a concrete operator system  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq B(\mathcal{H})$ , and a complete order isomorphism  $\phi : V \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$  with  $\phi(e) = I$ .*

Thus one can identify abstract and concrete operator systems and refer to them simply as operator systems.

### $C_e^*(\mathcal{S})$ : C\*-envelope of $\mathcal{S}$ (Arveson 1969, Hamana 1979)

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 $C_u^*(\mathcal{S})$  : Universal  $C^*$ -cover of  $\mathcal{S}$  (Kirchberg-Wasserman 1998)

The maximal  $C^*$ -cover generated by  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Definition**

Given operator system  $(\mathcal{S}, \{\mathcal{P}_n\}_{n=1}^\infty, e_1)$  and  $(\mathcal{T}, \{\mathcal{Q}_n\}_{n=1}^\infty, e_2)$ , an **operator system structure** on  $\mathcal{S} \otimes \mathcal{T}$  is a family  $\{\mathcal{C}_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  of cones, where  $\mathcal{C}_n \subseteq M_n(\mathcal{S} \otimes \mathcal{T})$ , satisfying :

- (T1)  $(\mathcal{S} \otimes \mathcal{T}, \{\mathcal{C}_n\}_{n=1}^\infty, e_1 \otimes e_2)$  is an operator system,
- (T2)  $\mathcal{P}_n \otimes \mathcal{Q}_m \subseteq \mathcal{C}_{nm}$  for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , and
- (T3) If  $\phi : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_n$  and  $\psi : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_m$  are unital completely positive maps, then  $\phi \otimes \psi : \mathcal{S} \otimes \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_{mn}$  is a unital completely positive map.

By **an operator system tensor product** we mean a mapping  $\tau : \mathcal{O} \times \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$ , such that for every pair of operator systems  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$ ,  $\tau(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{T})$  is an operator system structure on  $\mathcal{S} \otimes \mathcal{T}$ , denoted  $\mathcal{S} \otimes_\tau \mathcal{T}$ .

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- *maximal (max)*:  $\mathcal{S} \otimes_{\max} \mathcal{T} \subset A \otimes_{C^*-\max} B$
- *maximal commuting (c)*:  $\mathcal{S} \otimes_{\mathbf{c}} \mathcal{T} \subset C_u^*(\mathcal{S}) \otimes_{\max} C_u^*(\mathcal{T})$
- *enveloping (e)*:  $\mathcal{S} \otimes_{\mathbf{e}} \mathcal{T} \subset I(\mathcal{S}) \otimes_{\max} I(\mathcal{T})$
- *left enveloping (el)*:  $\mathcal{S} \otimes_{\mathbf{el}} \mathcal{T} \subset I(\mathcal{S}) \otimes_{\max} \mathcal{T}$
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ess is symmetric non-functorial, and hence is different from all known tensor products.

**$(\alpha, \beta)$ -nuclear (KPTT 2013)**

The identity map between  $\mathcal{S} \otimes_{\alpha} \mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{S} \otimes_{\beta} \mathcal{T}$  is a complete order isomorphism for every operator system  $\mathcal{T}$ .

Unlike  $C^*$ -algebra there are several notions of nuclearity.

Properties	Operator systems	Equivalent Nuclearity
Exactness	K-P-T-T 2013	(min,el)-nuclear
osLLP	K-P-T-T 2013	(min,er)-nuclear
DCEP	K-P-T-T 2013	(el,c)-nuclear
WEP	K-P-T-T 2013 - Han 2011	(el,max)-nuclear
$C^*$ -nuclearity	Kavruk 2014	(min,c)-nuclearity
CPFP	Han-Paulsen 2011	(min,max)-nuclear

**Table:** Structural properties and equivalent nuclearities for operator systems

Properties	$C^*$ -algebra	Operator spaces	Operator systems
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DCEP	Arveson 1969	Paulsen 2011	KPTT 2013
CPFP	Choi-Effros 1975- Kirchberg 1977	Kirchberg 1995	Han-Paulsen 2011
Nuclearity	Takesaki 1964-Lance 1973	Does not extend	Kavruk 2014

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For  $\mathbb{F}_n$ , the free group with  $n$ -generators

$\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{S}(u)$  is a  $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional operator system independent of the generating set  $u$

$\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{S}_n \subset C^*(\mathbb{F}_n)$ .

In general, such independence is not expected.

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$u$  be a minimal generating set of a finitely generated group  $G$ .

$\mathcal{S}(u)$  is (min, max)-nuclear if and only if  $|G| \leq 3$ .

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- If an operator system  $\mathcal{S}$  has a simple  $C^*$ -cover  $(A, i)$  then  $A \cong C_e^*(\mathcal{S})$ .

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And, moreover if each  $\mathcal{S}_i$  is separable, exact and contains enough unitaries of  $C_e^*(\mathcal{S}_i)$ , then  $\varinjlim \mathcal{S}_i$  embeds into  $\mathcal{O}_2$ .

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Let  $(\mathcal{S}, \{M_n(\mathcal{S})^+\}_{n=1}^\infty, e_{\mathcal{S}})$  and  $(\mathcal{T}, \{M_n(\mathcal{T})^+\}_{n=1}^\infty, e_{\mathcal{T}})$  be operator systems. The family  $\{\mathcal{C}_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  defined as

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$$\varinjlim (\mathcal{S}_k \otimes_\lambda \mathcal{T}) \stackrel{\text{c.o.i.}}{\cong} (\varinjlim \mathcal{S}_k) \otimes_\lambda \mathcal{T}.$$

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Thank you for your kind attention!

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