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# I. The analytic index of elliptic operators: Abstract operator theory

## I.1. Fredholm Operators

In the following we will denote by  $H$  and  $H_i, i \in \mathbb{N}$  separable complex Hilbert spaces with scalar product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{H_i}$ . But usually we write just  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  when the space is obvious from the context. The corresponding norm is written as  $\|\cdot\|_{H_i}$ .

### 1. Definition: “Closed Operator”

A linear operator  $A: H_1 \supset \text{dom } A \rightarrow \text{im } A \subset H_2$  is called *closed* iff its graph

$$\text{gr } A := \{ (v, Av) \mid v \in \text{dom } A \} \subset H_1 \times H_2 \quad (1.1)$$

is closed. The set of *densely defined, closed operators* will be denoted by

$$\mathcal{C}(H_1, H_2) := \left\{ A: \text{dom } A \rightarrow H_2 \mid \overline{\text{dom } A} = H_1, \text{gr } A \text{ closed} \right\} \quad (1.2)$$

From now on we will always mean densely defined, closed operator when we say *closed operator*.

### 2. Remark:

- If  $\text{dom } A = H_1$ ,  $A$  is closed if and only if  $A$  is continuous. In other words this means that  $\mathcal{C}(H_1, H_2)$  contains  $\mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$ .
- For  $A \in \mathcal{C}(H_1, H_2)$ , although  $\ker A \subset H_1$  is always closed,  $\text{im } A \subset H_2$  need not be closed.
- The *cokernel* is:

$$\text{coker } A := H_2 / \text{im } A \quad (2.1)$$

- If  $A$  is closed, so is its adjoint:  $A^* \in \mathcal{C}(H_2, H_1)$ ; because  $\text{gr } A^*$  is a rotation of  $(\text{gr } A)^\perp$ .

### 3. Lemma: Finite Cokernel

If the cokernel of a closed operator is finite dimensional, its image is closed.

### 4. Definition: “Fredholm Operator”

A closed operator is called *Fredholm* iff it has finite dimensional kernel and cokernel. We denote the set of *Fredholm operators* by

$$\mathcal{F}(H_1, H_2) := \left\{ A \in \mathcal{C}(H_1, H_2) \mid \dim \ker A + \dim \text{coker } A < \infty \right\} \quad (4.1)$$

For  $A \in \mathcal{F}(H_1, H_2)$  its *index* is defined as

$$\text{ind } A := \dim \ker A - \dim \text{coker } A = \dim \ker A - \dim \ker A^* \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (4.2)$$

For bounded Fredholm operators we write  $\mathcal{F}_{bd}(H_1, H_2) := \mathcal{F}(H_1, H_2) \cap \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$ .

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**Note:** If  $A \in \mathcal{F}(H_1, H_2)$  **Lemma 3 (Finite Cokernel)** tells us that  $\text{im } A$  is closed.

### 5. Definition: “Semi-Fredholm Operator”

If  $A \in \mathcal{C}(H_1, H_2)$  only satisfies the weaker assumption, that  $\ker A$  is finite dimensional and  $\text{im } A$  is closed, we call it *semi-Fredholm*.

### 6. Lemma: Semi-Fredholm Condition

$A \in \mathcal{C}(H_1, H_2)$  is *semi-Fredholm* iff every bounded sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $\text{dom } A$  with  $(Ax_n)$  convergent in  $H_2$  has a convergent subsequence.

**Proof (6)**

“ $\Rightarrow$ ”  $(x_n) \subset H_1, \|x_n\| \leq 1, (Ax_n) \rightarrow y$  in  $H_2$ .

Decompose  $x_n = x_n^{\ker} + x_n^{\text{coker}}, x_n^{\ker} \in \ker A, \|x_n^{\ker}\|^2 + \|x_n^{\text{coker}}\|^2 \leq 1, x_n^{\text{coker}} \perp x_n^{\ker}$ . Since  $\ker A$  is finite dimensional, we may assume that  $(x_n^{\ker}) \rightarrow x^{\ker}$ . Thus we may assume that  $\forall n: x_n \perp \ker A$ .

Now we claim that, for some  $\delta > 0$

$$\|Ax_n\| \geq \delta \|x_n\| \quad (6.1)$$

We take  $\tilde{A} := A|_{(\ker A)^\perp}$ , then  $\tilde{A}$  is a bijective  $(\ker A)^\perp \rightarrow \text{im } A$  and because  $\text{im } A$  is closed,  $\tilde{A}^{-1}$  is continuous by the open mapping theorem. Thus

$$\|x\| = \|\tilde{A}^{-1} \tilde{A}x\| \leq C \|\tilde{A}x\| = C \|Ax\| \forall x \perp \ker A \quad (6.2)$$

“ $\Leftarrow$ ”  $(x_n) \subset \ker A, \|x_n\| \leq 1$  then  $(Ax_n) = (0)$  is convergent thus  $(x_n)$  has a convergent subsequence  $\Rightarrow B(\ker A)$  is compact  $\Rightarrow \dim \ker A < \infty$ .

So let  $(x_n) \perp \ker A$  s.t.  $y_n = Ax_n \rightarrow y$ . If we show that  $\|Ax_n\| \geq \delta \|x_n\|$  for some  $\delta > 0$ , then we are done. Assume not, i.e.  $\|Ax_n\| \leq \frac{1}{n} \|x_n\|, \|x_n\| = 1$  then  $Ax_n \rightarrow 0$  and wlog  $x_n \rightarrow x \Rightarrow \|x\| = 1 \Rightarrow Ax_n \rightarrow Ax = 0$ . This is impossible since  $x \perp \ker A$ .

### 7. Definition: “Compact Operator”

If the image of the unit sphere in  $H_1$  under  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$  has compact closure in  $H_2$ , we call  $A$  a *compact operator*. That means we require the image of every bounded sequence in  $H_1$  under  $A$  to contain a Cauchy subsequence. (This property automatically implies boundedness.) The space of all compact operators is denoted by  $\mathcal{K}(H_1, H_2)$ .

### 8. Lemma: Properties of Fredholm Operators

Let  $A \in \mathcal{F}(H_1, H_2)$  then:

1.  $A^* \in \mathcal{F}(H_2, H_1)$
2. There is an orthogonal decomposition

$$H_1 = \ker A \oplus \text{im } A^*, \quad H_2 = \ker A^* \oplus \text{im } A \quad (8.1)$$

3. There is  $R_0 \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_1)$  such that

$$\text{id}_{H_1} - R_0 A = P_{\ker A} \in \mathcal{K}(H_1) \text{ and} \quad (8.2)$$

$$\text{id}_{H_2} - A R_0 = P_{\ker A^*} \in \mathcal{K}(H_2). \quad (8.3)$$

This implies FREDHOLM's Theorem:

$$\text{id}_{H_1} - P_{\ker A} \in \mathcal{F}(H_1), \text{id}_{H_2} - P_{\ker A^*} \in \mathcal{F}(H_2) \quad (8.4)$$

4. We also have:

$$\text{ind } A = \dim \ker A^* A - \dim \ker A A^* = -\text{ind } A^* \quad (8.5)$$

### 9. Definition: "Finite Rank Operator"

We define the *finite rank operators* by

$$\mathcal{L}_{fr}(H_1, H_2) := \{ A \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2) \mid \dim \text{im } A < \infty \} \quad (9.1)$$

### 10. Remark:

- The space of compact operators  $\mathcal{K}(H_1, H_2)$ , contains the norm closure of the space  $\mathcal{L}_{fr}(H_1, H_2)$ . As we are only concerned with Hilbert spaces, it is even equal to that norm closure. This claim does not hold for general Banach spaces. Compare [Wer05, II.3.5].
- $\mathcal{L}_{fr}(H)$  and  $\mathcal{K}(H)$  are two-sided \*-ideals in  $\mathcal{L}(H)$ .

### 11. Lemma:

Let  $\dim H = \infty$  and  $J \subset \mathcal{L}(H)$  be a two-sided ideal. If  $J$  contains a non-compact operator, then  $J = \mathcal{L}(H)$ .

**Proof (11) Hint:** You need the polar decomposition,  $A = U|A|$ ,  $|A| = \sqrt{A^*A}$  for  $A \in \mathcal{C}(H)$  and also the spectral theorem (see e.g. [Dav95, Chapter 2] and [RS80, Theorem VII.8]):

$$A = A^* \in \mathcal{C}(H) \Leftrightarrow \exists E_A(\lambda)_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}} \text{ orth.proj., increasing :} \quad (11.1)$$

$$\text{s-lim}_{\lambda \rightarrow -\infty} E_A(\lambda) = 0, \quad \text{s-lim}_{\lambda \rightarrow +\infty} E_A(\lambda) = \text{id}, \quad E_A(\lambda_0) = \text{s-lim}_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0^+} E_A(\lambda)$$

s.t.

$$x \in \text{dom } A \Leftrightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \lambda^2 d\|E_A(\lambda)x\|^2 < \infty \quad (11.2)$$

$$\langle Ax, y \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \lambda d\langle E_A(\lambda)x, y \rangle \quad (11.3)$$

In particular  $E_A(\lambda)A = AE_A(\lambda)$ .

**12. Theorem: Spectrum of Compact Operators**

Let  $A \in \mathcal{K}(H)$  with  $\dim H = \infty$ , then

1.  $\text{spec } A = (\lambda_j)_{j=1}^{\infty} \cup \{0\}$  where  $\lambda_j \neq 0$ ,  $|\lambda_j| \leq |\lambda_{j+1}|$  (counted with multiplicity).
2. For each  $\lambda \in \text{spec } A \setminus \{0\}$  there is a projection  $P_\lambda \in \mathcal{L}_{fr}(H) \Leftrightarrow \dim P_\lambda < \infty$  s.t.

$$\text{spec } P_\lambda A = \text{spec } P_\lambda A = \{\lambda\} \tag{12.1}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_\lambda A = \lambda P_\lambda + D_\lambda \text{ with } D_\lambda \text{ nilpotent} \tag{12.2}$$

For  $\lambda \neq \lambda' \in \text{spec } A$ ,  $P_\lambda P_{\lambda'} = 0$  and

$$P_\lambda = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|\zeta|=\varepsilon} (A - \zeta)^{-1} d\zeta \tag{12.3}$$

3.  $\|A\| = |\lambda_1|$

**13. Remark: Trivial Spectrum**

It may happen that  $\text{spec } A = \{0\}$ , even though  $A$  is not of finite rank. Take for example in  $L^2[0, 1]$  the Volterra operator

$$Ax(t) := \int_0^t x(s) ds \tag{13.1}$$

**14. Theorem: Property of Compact Operators**

1.  $\mathcal{K}(H)$  is a two-sided norm-closed ideal.
2.  $A \in \mathcal{K}(H) \Rightarrow A^* \in \mathcal{K}(H)$  i.e.  $\mathcal{K}(H)$  is a \*-ideal.
3.  $\mathcal{L}(H)/\mathcal{K}(H)$  is a unital Banach-\*-algebra called the *Calkin-algebra*. Let  $\pi$  be the corresponding injection from  $\mathcal{L}(H)$ . Then  $T \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  is in  $\mathcal{F}(H)$  iff  $\pi(T)$  is invertible in the Calkin-algebra. The index characterizes the connected components of invertible elements in  $\mathcal{L}\mathcal{K}$ .

$$\|\pi(T)\|_{\mathcal{L}\mathcal{K}} = \inf_{K \in \mathcal{K}(H)} \|T + K\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} \tag{14.1}$$

**15. Theorem: FREDHOLM**

If  $K \in \mathcal{K}(H)$  then  $\text{id} + K \in \mathcal{F}(H)$  with  $\text{ind}(\text{id} + K) = 0$

**16. Example: Possible Values for the Fredholm Index**

Look at the Hilbert space

$$\ell^2(\mathbb{C}) = \left\{ x: \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \|x\|_2^2 := \sum_{j \geq 0} |x_j|^2 < \infty \right\} \tag{16.1}$$

and consider the operator

$$(Sx)_j := \begin{cases} 0 & j = 0 \\ x_{j-1} & j > 0 \end{cases} \quad (16.2)$$

It is called the *unilateral shift* and is Fredholm of index  $-1$ . Then  $S^n$  has index  $-n$  and  $S^{*,n}$  has index  $n$ . This means there are Fredholm operators of any integer index.

**17. Theorem: ATKINSON**

$A \in \mathcal{C}(H_1, H_2)$  is Fredholm iff there are  $R \in \mathcal{L}(H_2, H_1)$  and  $K_i \in \mathcal{K}(H_i)$  such that

$$\text{id}_{H_1} - RA = K_1 \quad \wedge \quad \text{id}_{H_2} - AR = K_2 \quad (17.1)$$

Such an operator  $R$  is called a *parametrix* for  $A$ .

## I.2. Traces and Determinants

For further information see for example [Kat95].

### I.2.1. Finite Dimensional Spaces

To see what can be done, we first of all look at the situation of finite dimensional Hilbert spaces  $H$ . Afterwards this approach should provide some inspiration when we concern ourselves with the general case. For now we write  $N := \dim H$ .

**18. Definition: "Trace"**

So let  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ ,  $(e_i)$  a basis and  $(e^i)$  the corresponding dual basis. We will write  $A_i^j := e^i(Ae_j)$ . Then the *trace* of  $A$  is defined as

$$\text{tr } A := \sum_{j=1}^N e^j(Ae_j) = \sum_j A_j^j \quad (18.1)$$

**19. Remark: Properties of the Trace**

1. The trace  $\text{tr}: \mathcal{L}(H) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is linear.
2. It is invariant under permutations in  $\mathcal{L}(H)$ :  $\text{tr } AB = \text{tr } BA$ . That means, if  $[A, B]$  denotes the usual commutator,  $\ker \text{tr} \supset [\mathcal{L}(H), \mathcal{L}(H)]$ .

**20. Theorem: Vanishing Trace**

For any linear operator  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ :

$$\text{tr } A = 0 \Rightarrow \exists B, C \in \mathcal{L}(H): A = [B, C]. \quad (20.1)$$

So in addition to the above property even

$$\ker \text{tr} = [\mathcal{L}(H), \mathcal{L}(H)]. \quad (20.2)$$

### 21. Discussion: A Better Description of the Trace

Recall that the *spectrum* is defined as

$$\text{spec } A := \{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid A - \lambda \text{ not invertible} \}, \quad (21.1)$$

but can also be expressed as  $\text{spec } A = \chi_A^{-1}(0)$  where  $\chi_A: \mathbb{C} \ni \lambda \mapsto \det(A - \lambda) \in \mathbb{C}$  is the *characteristic polynomial* of  $A$ . Now it is possible to decompose  $A$  as

$$A = \sum_{\lambda \in \text{spec } A} \lambda P_\lambda + D_\lambda, \quad (21.2)$$

where

$$P_\lambda = P_\lambda^2, \quad P_\lambda P_{\lambda'} = \delta_{\lambda\lambda'} P_{\lambda'}, \quad \sum P_\lambda = \text{id}_H \quad (21.3)$$

$$P_\lambda D_\lambda = D_\lambda P_\lambda = D_\lambda, \quad \forall \lambda \exists n: D_\lambda^n = 0 \quad (21.4)$$

in particular

$$P_\lambda = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|\zeta - \lambda| = \varepsilon} (A - \zeta)^{-1} d\zeta \quad (21.5)$$

$$m_{\text{geom}}(\lambda) := \dim \ker(A - \lambda) \quad (21.6)$$

$$m_{\text{alg}}(\lambda) := \dim \text{im } P_\lambda = \text{multiplicity of } \lambda \text{ as a zero of } \chi_A \quad (21.7)$$

### 22. Definition: “Chern Polynomial”

Similar to  $\chi_A$  we define the polynomial expansion

$$\det(\text{id} + zA) =: \sum_{j=0}^N c_j(A) z^j \quad (22.1)$$

and call  $c_j(A)$  the  $j$ -th *Chern polynomial*. Now the sum

$$c(A) := c_0(A) + c_1(A) + \dots + c_n(A) \quad (22.2)$$

is the *total Chern polynomial*.

### 23. Remark:

The  $c_j$  are homogeneous polynomials of degree  $j$  in the eigenvalues of  $A$  and the most prominent ones are

$$c_0(A) = 1, \quad (23.1)$$

$$c_1(A) = \text{tr } A \quad \text{and} \quad (23.2)$$

$$c_N(A) = \det A. \quad (23.3)$$

They are related to the *characteristic polynomial* via

$$\det(\text{id} + zA) = z^N \det\left(A - \left(-\frac{1}{z}\right) \text{id}\right) = z^N \chi_A\left(-\frac{1}{z}\right) = \prod_{\lambda \in \text{spec } A} (\lambda z + 1) \quad (23.4)$$



**24. Lemma: Invariance**

The Chern polynomials are invariant under the action of  $\mathcal{L}^\times(H) \simeq \text{GL}(N, \mathbb{C})$  on  $\mathcal{L}(H)$  by conjugation. Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}^\times(H)$  and  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ , then

$$c_j(T^{-1}AT) = c_j(A). \quad (24.1)$$

This is a generalization of **Remark 19 item 2 (Properties of the Trace)**.

**P****25. Problem:**

Write a formula for  $c_j(A)$  for  $A = (A_j^i) \in \text{Mat}(N, \mathbb{C})$ .

Write an operator theoretic formula!

**26. Lemma:**

Any linear operator  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  induces a homomorphism of graded algebras  $\Lambda^j A \in \mathcal{L}(\Lambda^j H)$  such that

$$\Lambda^j A(v_1 \wedge \dots \wedge v_j) = (Av_1) \wedge \dots \wedge (Av_j). \quad (26.1)$$

Then

$$c_j(A) = \text{tr}_{\Lambda^j H} \Lambda^j A. \quad (26.2)$$

**Proof (26)** First of all we will denote index sets by

$$I_N^j := \{ I \subset \mathbb{N}_N \mid \#I = j \}, \quad (26.3)$$

so that in particular  $\#I_N^j = \binom{N}{j}$ . Then we define the *diagonal minors*  $A_I \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  by

$$A_I e_j := \begin{cases} A e_j = j\text{-th column of } A & \text{if } j \in I \text{ and} \\ e_j & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (26.4)$$

This yields

$$\det(\text{id} + zA) = \sum_{j=0}^N z^j \sum_{I \in I_N^j} \det A_I, \quad (26.5)$$

so that

$$c_j(A) = \sum_{I \in I_N^j} \det A_I. \quad (26.6)$$

Next we have to compute  $\text{tr} \Lambda^j A$ . An orthonormal basis of  $\Lambda^j H$  is given by  $(e_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge e_{i_j})_{I \in I_N^j}$ .

So with

$$\text{tr} \Lambda^j A = \sum_{I \in I_N^j} \langle \Lambda^j A(e_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge e_{i_j}), e_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge e_{i_j} \rangle \quad (26.7)$$

and

$$\langle Ae_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge Ae_{i_j}, e_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge e_{i_j} \rangle \quad (26.8)$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_j} A_{i_1}^{i_{\sigma(1)}} A_{i_2}^{i_{\sigma(2)}} \dots A_{i_j}^{i_{\sigma(j)}} \langle e_{i_{\sigma(1)}} \wedge \dots \wedge e_{i_{\sigma(j)}}, e_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge e_{i_{\sigma(j)}} \rangle \quad (26.9)$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_j} A_{i_1}^{i_{\sigma(1)}} A_{i_2}^{i_{\sigma(2)}} \dots A_{i_j}^{i_{\sigma(j)}} \operatorname{sgn} \sigma = \det A_I \quad (26.10)$$

the proof is complete.

### 27. Theorem: Determinant Expansion

The determinant can be written as a polynomial:

$$\det(\operatorname{id}_H + zA) = \sum_{j=0}^N z^j \operatorname{tr} \Lambda^j A = \prod_{\lambda} (1 + z\lambda(A)) \quad (27.1)$$

and the  $\operatorname{tr} \Lambda^j A$  are the *elementary symmetric polynomials* in  $\operatorname{spec} A$  denoted as  $\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$ .

### 28. Theorem:

Any  $p \in \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_N]$  which is symmetric, i.e. invariant under the action of  $S_N$ , can be written as a polynomial  $\tilde{p} \in \mathbb{C}[\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_N]$ .

Hence the following polynomials can be written as polynomials in the  $\sigma_j$ .

### 29. Definition: "Some Concrete Polynomials"

1. *Adams polynomials*

$$a_j(A) := \operatorname{tr} A^j, \quad j = 0, \dots, N \quad (29.1)$$

2. the *Chern character*

$$\operatorname{ch} A := \operatorname{tr} e^A \quad (29.2)$$

(not a polynomial)

3. the *Todd polynomial*

$$\operatorname{Td}(A) := \det \left( \frac{A}{\operatorname{id} - e^{-A}} \right) = \det \left( \sum_{j \geq 0} \frac{B_j}{j!} (-1)^j A^j \right) \quad (29.3)$$

4. the  $\hat{A}$ -*polynomial*

$$\hat{A}(A) = \det^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{A}{\sinh A} \right) = e^{\operatorname{tr} \log \frac{A}{\sinh A}} \quad (29.4)$$

5. the *L-polynomial*

$$L(A) = \det^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{A}{\tanh A} \right) \quad (29.5)$$

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**30. Theorem:**

Denote by  $\mathcal{P}_{inv}(\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^N))$  the  $S_N$ -invariant polynomials with values in  $\mathbb{C}$ ; they form a ring. Then

$$\mathcal{P}_{inv}(\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^N)) = \mathbb{C}[1, c_1, \dots, c_N] \quad (30.1)$$

i.e. any of these polynomials can be written as a polynomial in the Chern polynomials.

**I.2.2. Infinite Dimensional Spaces**

**Extension to infinite dimension** The only similarity in infinite dimensions is, that compact operators  $K$  have a spectrum  $\text{spec } K = \{\lambda_n \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}\} \cup \{0\}$  where  $|\lambda_n| \geq |\lambda_{n+1}|$  with multiplicities ( $m_{geo}(\lambda)$  and  $m_{alg}(\lambda)$ ) and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\lambda_n| = 0$ . But now  $\sum_n \lambda_n$  does not necessarily converge! In the (infinite dimensional) compact case we can also do the resolvent analysis as in [Discussion 21 \(A Better Description of the Trace\)](#), but now  $D_\lambda$  is only *quasi-nilpotent*, i.e.

$$\left(\|D_\lambda^n\|\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad (\text{I-1})$$

**31. Definition: “Hilbert-Schmidt Operator”**

$A \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$  is called *Hilbert-Schmidt (HS)* iff

$$\sum_j \|Ae_j\|^2 < \infty \quad \text{for any onb } (e_j) \text{ of } H_1. \quad (31.1)$$

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**32. Lemma:**

1. The HS-operators form a  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector space in  $\mathcal{K}(H_1, H_2)$ , called  $\mathcal{K}_2(H_1, H_2)$ .
2.  $\|A\|_2^2 := \sum_j \|Ae_j\|^2$  does not depend on the choice of the orthonormal basis  $(e_j)$  and defines a norm on  $\mathcal{K}_2(H_1, H_2)$ .
3. For  $K \in \mathcal{K}_2(H_1, H_2)$  and  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H_2, H_1)$ , also  $K^* \in \mathcal{K}_2(H_2)$  and

$$AK \in \mathcal{K}_2(H_1) \quad \text{and} \quad \|AK\|_2 \leq \|A\| \|K\|_2 \quad (32.1)$$

similar for  $KA$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{K}_2$  is a left and right module over respective bounded operators.

4. For  $A, B \in \mathcal{K}_2(H)$  we can define a scalar product

$$\langle A, B \rangle_2 := \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \langle Ae_j, Be_j \rangle \quad \text{for any onb } (e_j) \quad (32.2)$$

$$\text{s.t. } |\langle A, B \rangle_2| \leq \|A\|_2 \|B\|_2 \quad (32.3)$$

5. If  $A = A^* \in \mathcal{K}_2(H)$  then

$$\|A\|_2^2 = \sum_{\lambda \in \text{spec } A} \lambda^2 \quad (32.4)$$

**Proof (32)** Let  $(e_j), (f_k)$  be orthonormal bases of  $H$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{K}_2(H)$ . Then

$$\sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|Ae_j\|^2 = \sum_{k, j \in \mathbb{N}} |\langle Ae_j, f_k \rangle|^2 = \sum_{j, k} |\langle e_j, A^* f_k \rangle|^2 = \sum_k \|A^* f_k\|^2 \quad (32.5)$$

### 33. Theorem: Line Bundles

Let  $(M, g^{TM})$  be a closed oriented Riemannian manifold and  $(E, h^E) \rightarrow M$  a Hermitian line bundle. Let moreover  $k \in L^2(M \times M, \mathcal{L}(E \boxplus E))$  then the operator

$$Ks(p) := \int_M k(p, q) \{s(q)\} \text{vol}_M(q) \quad (33.1)$$

is a HS operator in  $\mathcal{L}(L^2(M, E))$  with

$$\|K\|_2^2 = \|k\|_{L^2(M \times M, \mathcal{L}(E \boxplus E))}^2 = \int_{M \times M} \|k(p, q)\|_{\mathcal{L}(E_q, E_p)}^2 \text{vol}_{M \times M}(p, q) \quad (33.2)$$

Now back to the general case  $H = H^+ \oplus H^-$  with involution  $\alpha = \alpha^H$ . We want to find operators with finite trace. If  $(e_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  is an orthonormal basis, then we should have

### 34. Definition: "Operators with Trace"

$A$  has a *trace* iff

$$\sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \langle Ae_j, e_j \rangle \text{ is finite} \quad (34.1)$$

and independent of the choice of  $(e_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

### 35. Definition: "Trace Class"

The set of linear operators

$$\mathcal{K}_1(H) := \left\{ A \in \mathcal{L}(H) \mid A = \sum_{j=1}^L B_j C_j \text{ with } B_j, C_j \in \mathcal{K}_2(H) \right\} \quad (35.1)$$

is called the *trace class* of  $H$ .

### 36. Theorem:

1. Let  $A \in \mathcal{K}_1(H)$  and  $(e_j)$  an orthonormal basis of  $H$  then

$$\sum_j |\langle Ae_j, e_j \rangle| < \infty. \quad (36.1)$$

2. If  $A = A^* \in \mathcal{K}(H)$  is compact then  $A \in \mathcal{K}_1(H)$  if and only if

$$\|A\|_1 := \sum_{\lambda \in \text{spec } A} |\lambda| < \infty. \quad (36.2)$$

37. **Theorem:**

1.  $\mathcal{K}_1(H)$  is a norm-closed two-sided  $*$ -ideal in  $\mathcal{L}(H)$ .
2. We define the *trace* on  $\mathcal{K}_1(H)$  by

$$\text{tr} \left( \sum_{j=1}^L B_j A_j \right) := \sum_{j=1}^L \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle A_j e_k, B_j^* e_k \rangle \tag{37.1}$$

This is well-defined.

The trace is a (continuous) linear functional with

$$\text{tr} A^* = \overline{\text{tr} A}, \quad \text{tr} AB = \text{tr} BA \quad \text{for } A \in \mathcal{K}_1(H), B \in \mathcal{L}(H) \tag{37.2}$$

3. If  $K = K^* \in \mathcal{K}_1(H)$  with eigenvalues  $(\lambda_j(K))$ , then

$$\text{tr} K = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j(K) \tag{37.3}$$

**Remark** For  $K \neq K^*$  this is still true, but not at all obvious. (e.g. look again at the Volterra operator). It was proved by LIDSKII in 1959.

**Problem** Work out the trace on  $\mathcal{K}_1(L^2(M, E))$  in the situation of **Theorem 33 (Line Bundles)**.

**Next Point:** Show how to extent determinants to  $\infty$  dimensions, needs  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{K}_1(H)}$ .

Write  $A = U|A|$  and define

$$\|A\|_{\mathcal{K}_1(H)} := \text{tr}|A| \tag{I-2}$$

The good aspect of the result **Theorem 27 (Determinant Expansion)** is that it generalizes as it stands to infinite dimensions:

38. **Theorem:**

If  $A \in \mathcal{K}_1(H)$  then

$$\det(I_H + zA) = \sum_{k \geq 0} z^k \text{tr} A^k = \prod_{\lambda_j} (1 + z\lambda_j(A)) \tag{38.1}$$

**Main Example**  $M$  closed (oriented) manifold,  $E^+, E^- \rightarrow M$  smooth  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector bundles,  $D: C^\infty(M, E^+) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, E^-)$  linear elliptic differential operator. Then we put metrics  $g^{TM}$  on  $TM$  and  $h^{E^\pm}$  on  $E^\pm$  to get Hilbert spaces  $L^2(M, E^\pm)$  with scalar product

$$(s_1, s_2)_{L^2(M, E^\pm)} := \int_M h^{E^\pm}(s_1(p), s_2(p)) \text{vol}_M(p) \tag{I-3}$$

$\bar{D}$  is a closed<sup>1</sup> unbounded Fredholm operator  $H_1 := L^2(M, E^+) \rightarrow H_2 := L^2(M, E^-)$ .

<sup>1</sup>closed always means densely defined

**39. Discussion: Reduction to Bounded Operators**

Instead of looking at an unbounded operators  $A \in \mathcal{C}(H_1, H_2)$ , we can regard the graph of  $A$  as a Hilbert space, because  $A$  is closed. There  $\pi_2$  corresponds to  $A$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_1 & \xrightarrow{A} & H_2 \\
 \uparrow & & \\
 \text{dom } A & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \tilde{H}_1 := \text{gr } A \\
 & & \uparrow \subset \\
 & & H_1 \oplus H_2 \\
 & & \uparrow \in \\
 & & (s, As)
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 & & \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \\
 & & H_2 =: \tilde{H}_2 \\
 & & \uparrow \\
 & & A = \pi_2|_{\text{gr } A} \in \mathcal{L}(\tilde{H}_1, \tilde{H}_2)
 \end{array}
 \tag{39.1}$$

Note that the identification of  $\text{dom } A$  and  $\text{gr } A$  induces the graph norm on  $\text{dom } A$ , which in general gives a finer topology than that induced from  $\|\cdot\|_{H_1}$ .

**40. Discussion: Polar Decomposition**

Let  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$  and define

$$|A| := (A^*A)^{\frac{1}{2}} \in \mathcal{L}(H_1) \quad \text{modulus of } A \tag{40.1}$$

$|A|$  is self-adjoint and positive (i.e.  $\forall x \in H_1: \langle Ax, x \rangle \geq 0$ ).

**41. Theorem:**

There is an operator  $U \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$  s.t.

$$A = U|A| \tag{41.1}$$

Here  $UU^*$  is the orthogonal projection in  $H_2$  onto  $\overline{\text{im } A} = (\ker A^*)^\perp$  and  $U^*U$  is the orthogonal projection in  $H_1$  onto  $\text{im } A^* = (\ker A)^\perp$ .

**Proof** (41) Note first that  $\ker A = \ker |A|$  since

$$\| |A|x \|_{H_1}^2 = \langle |A|x, |A|x \rangle_{H_1} = \langle |A|^2x, x \rangle_{H_1} = \langle A^*Ax, x \rangle_{H_1} = \|Ax\|_{H_2}^2 \tag{41.2}$$

Then the map  $U: \text{im } |A| \ni |A|x \mapsto Ax \in \text{im } A$  is a well-defined isometry and satisfies

$$\forall x, y \in \text{im } |A|: \langle Ux, Uy \rangle_{H_2} = \langle x, y \rangle_{H_1} = \langle x, U^*Uy \rangle_{H_1} \tag{41.3}$$

$$\Rightarrow U^*U|_{\text{im } |A|} = I_{\text{im } |A|} \tag{41.4}$$

$U$  extends to  $\overline{\text{im } |A|} \rightarrow \overline{\text{im } A}$  by continuity. Put  $U|_{\overline{\text{im } |A|}^\perp} = U|_{\ker |A|} := 0$ .  $U$  is a partial isometry.

**42. Corollary: Generalized Inverse**

If  $A \in \mathcal{F}(H_1, H_2)$ , then  $\exists \delta > 0: \| |A|x \| = \|Ax\| \geq \delta \|x\| \forall x \perp \ker A$ .

Hence  $|A|$  (and  $A$ ) admits a *generalized inverse*  $|A|^{-1} \in \mathcal{F}(H_1)$

$$|A|^{-1}x := \begin{cases} y & \text{if } x = |A|y, x \perp \ker |A| \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in \ker |A| \end{cases} \tag{42.1}$$

Let  $A \in \mathcal{F}(H_1, H_2)$  and write  $A = U|A|$  to get the parametrix  $R = |A|^{-1}U^*$  then

$$AR = UU^* = P_{\text{im } A} \quad (\text{I-4})$$

$$I_{H_2} - P_{\text{im } A} = P_{(\text{im } A)^\perp} \in \mathcal{K}_1(H_2) \quad (\text{I-5})$$

$$\text{tr}_{H_2}(I_{H_2} - AR) = \dim \text{coker } A \quad (\text{I-6})$$

$$RA = U^*U = P_{(\text{ker } A)^\perp} \quad (\text{I-7})$$

$$I_{H_1} - P_{(\text{ker } A)^\perp} = P_{\text{ker } A} \in \mathcal{K}_1(H_1) \quad (\text{I-8})$$

$$\text{tr}_{H_1}(I_{H_1} - RA) = \dim \text{ker } A \quad (\text{I-9})$$

**43. Theorem: Good Parametrices**

$A \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$  is Fredholm iff there is  $R \in \mathcal{L}(H_2, H_1)$  s.t.

$$I_{H_1} - RA \in \mathcal{K}_1(H_1)$$

$$I_{H_2} - AR \in \mathcal{K}_1(H_2)$$

$$\text{ind } A = \text{tr}_{H_1}(I_{H_1} - RA) - \text{tr}_{H_2}(I_{H_2} - AR) \quad (43.1)$$

If Equation 43.1 holds, then  $R$  is called a *good parametrix*. In fact any parametrix, which satisfies the first two relations is already good. To prove this we have to use the following:

**44. Lemma:**

Let  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{L}(H_2, H_1)$  such that  $AB, BA$  are of trace class, then

$$\text{tr}_{H_1} BA = \text{tr}_{H_2} AB \quad (44.1)$$

This follows for example with 3.

Consider a closed operator  $D \in \mathcal{F}_{cl}(H_1, H_2)$ , i.e.  $D$  may not extend to  $\mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$

**45. Definition: "Discrete Operator"**

$D$  is called *discrete* iff  $j: \text{dom } D \hookrightarrow H_1$  is compact.

**46. Lemma:**

If  $D$  is self-adjoint then  $\text{spec } D$  is discrete, i.e. consists only of isolated eigenvalues of finite multiplicity, iff  $D$  is discrete in the sense of the former definition.

**47. Theorem: MCKEAN-SINGER**

Assume that  $D = D^*$  is discrete in  $H$  and for  $t > 0$ ,  $e^{-tD^2}$  with eigenvalues  $(e^{-t\lambda_j^2})_{\lambda_j \in \text{spec } D}$ . If in addition  $D$  anti-commutes with an involution  $\alpha$ , i.e.

$$\alpha(\text{dom } D) = \text{dom } D \quad \wedge \quad \alpha D + D\alpha = 0 \quad (47.1)$$

Then  $H = H^+ \oplus H^-$ ,  $\text{dom } D = (\text{dom } D)^+ \oplus (\text{dom } D)^- =: (\text{dom } D^+) \oplus (\text{dom } D^-)$  and  $D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & D^- \\ D^+ & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Also  $D^+$  is a Fredholm operator in  $\mathcal{F}_{cl}(H^+, H^-)$  with adjoint  $D^-$  and

$$\text{ind } D^+ = \text{tr}_H(\alpha e^{-tD^2}) = \text{tr}_{H^+} e^{-tD^- D^+} - \text{tr}_{H^-} e^{-tD^+ D^-} \quad (47.2)$$

Explanation

$$\phi_j = \phi_j^+ + \phi_j^- \quad \alpha\phi_j = \phi_j^+ - \phi_j^- \quad (47.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{tr}_H(\alpha e^{-tD^2}) &= \sum_j \langle \alpha e^{-tD^2} \phi_j, \phi_j \rangle = \sum_j e^{-t\lambda_j^2} \langle \alpha\phi_j, \phi_j \rangle \\ &= \sum_j e^{-t\lambda_j^2} (\|\phi_j^+\|^2 - \|\phi_j^-\|^2) \end{aligned} \quad (47.4)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \operatorname{tr}_H \alpha e^{-tD^2} = -\operatorname{tr}_H(\alpha D^2 e^{-tD^2}) = -\operatorname{tr}_H(D\alpha D e^{-tD^2}) = 0 \quad (47.5)$$

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48. **Problem:**

$D^+ D^-$  and  $D^- D^+$  have the same non-zero eigenvalues

### I.3. Properties of the Fredholm Index

Let  $A \in \mathcal{F}_{bd}(H_1, H_2)$  for any Hilbert spaces  $H_1, H_2$ . And let  $R \in \mathcal{L}(H_2, H_1)$  be a good parametrix, i.e.

$$I_{H_1} - RA \in \mathcal{K}_1(H_1) \quad (I-10)$$

$$I_{H_2} - AR \in \mathcal{K}_1(H_2) \quad (I-11)$$

$$\operatorname{ind} A = \operatorname{tr}_{H_1}(I_{H_1} - RA) - \operatorname{tr}_{H_2}(I_{H_2} - AR) \quad (I-12)$$

49. **Theorem: Properties of the Index**

1. *stability*, i.e. not disturbed by small perturbations:

If  $B \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$  s.t.

$$\|BR\|_{H_2} < 1, \quad \|RB\|_{H_1} < 1 \quad (49.1)$$

then

$$A - B \in \mathcal{F}_{bd}(H_1, H_2) \quad \text{with} \quad \operatorname{ind}(A - B) = \operatorname{ind} A \quad (49.2)$$

2. *Logarithmic law*

$$H_1 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{A_1} \\ \xleftarrow{R_1} \end{array} H_2 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{A_2} \\ \xleftarrow{R_2} \end{array} H_3 \quad A_j \in \mathcal{F}_{bd}(H_{j-1}, H_j), j = 2, 3, \quad (49.3)$$

$(R_j \in \mathcal{L}(H_j, H_{j-1}) \text{ good parametrices of } A_j), j = 1, 2$

then

$$A_2 A_1 \in \mathcal{F}(H_1, H_3) \quad \text{with} \quad \operatorname{ind} A_1 A_2 = \operatorname{ind} A_1 + \operatorname{ind} A_2 \quad (49.4)$$



**Proof (49)**

1. Test case:  $A$  is invertible,  $R = A^{-1}$ , then  $A - B$  is as good as  $A$  if it is invertible:

$$\underbrace{(A - B)^{-1}}_{A_1} = (A(I_{H_1} - A^{-1}B))^{-1} = (I_{H_1} - RB)^{-1}R \quad (49.5)$$

$$= \sum_{j \geq 0} (RB)^j R = R \sum_{j \geq 0} (BR)^j =: R_1 \quad (49.6)$$

Try now  $R_1$  as a (good) parametrix for  $A_1$  in general.

$$I_{H_1} - R_1 A_1 = I_{H_1} - \sum_{j \geq 0} (RB)^j R(A - B) = I_{H_1} - \sum_{j \geq 0} (RB)^j RA - \sum_{j \geq 0} (RB)^{j+1} \quad (49.7)$$

$$= I_{H_1} - RA - \sum_{j \geq 0} (RB)^{j+1} RA + \sum_{j \geq 0} (RB)^{j+1} \quad (49.8)$$

$$= \left( \sum_{j \geq 0} (RB)^{j+1} + I \right) (I_{H_1} - RA) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (RB)^j (I - RA) \quad (49.9)$$

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Compute also

$$I_{H_2} - A_1 R_1 = (I_{H_2} - AR) \sum_{j \geq 0} (BR)^j \quad (49.10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{tr}_{H_1}(I_{H_1} - R_1 A_1) - \operatorname{tr}_{H_2}(I_{H_2} - A_1 R_1) \\ &= \operatorname{ind} A + \underbrace{\operatorname{tr}_{H_1} \sum_{j \geq 1} (RB)^j (I_{H_1} - RA) - \operatorname{tr}_{H_2} \sum_{j \geq 1} (I_{H_2} - AR)(BR)^j}_{=0} \end{aligned} \quad (49.11)$$

2. Set  $A := A_2 A_1$  then  $A$  is Fredholm (think of [Lemma 6 \(Semi-Fredholm Condition\)](#)) and we expect  $R_1 R_2 =: R$  to be a good parametrix.

**Compute**

$$\begin{aligned} I_{H_1} - RA &= I_{H_1} - R_1 R_2 A_2 A_1 = I_{H_1} + R_1 (I_{H_2} - R_2 A_2) A_1 - R_1 A_1 \\ &= (I_{H_1} - R_1 A_1) + R_1 (I_{H_2} - R_2 A_2) A_1 \end{aligned} \quad (49.12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \operatorname{tr}_{H_1}(I_{H_1} - RA) &= \operatorname{tr}_{H_1}(I_{H_1} - R_1 A_1) + \operatorname{tr}_{H_2}(I_{H_2} - R_2 A_2) A_1 R_1 \\ &= \operatorname{tr}_{H_1}(I_{H_1} - R_1 A_1) + \operatorname{tr}_{H_2}(I_{H_2} - R_2 A_2) \\ &\quad - \operatorname{tr}_{H_2}(I_{H_2} - R_2 A_2)(I_{H_2} - A_1 R_1) \end{aligned} \quad (49.13)$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{ind} A_1 A_2 = \operatorname{ind} A_1 + \operatorname{ind} A_2 \quad (49.14)$$

**50. Definition: “Operator Product”**

Let  $A^j \in \mathcal{F}(H_1^j, H_2^j)$  for  $j = 1, 2$ . Then we can construct the *Hilbert space tensor product*  $H_1^1 \otimes H_1^2$  by taking the completion of the algebraic tensor product

$$\left\{ \sum_{k=1}^N x_k^1 \otimes x_k^2 \mid x_k^1 \in H_1^1, x_k^2 \in H_1^2, N \in \mathbb{N} \right\} \quad (50.1)$$

under the pre-Hilbert structure defined by

$$\left\langle \sum_k x_k^1 \otimes x_k^2, \sum_l x_l^1 \otimes x_l^2 \right\rangle := \sum_{k,l} \langle x_k^1, x_l^1 \rangle \langle x_k^2, x_l^2 \rangle \quad (50.2)$$

Then we define the following maps:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_1^1 \otimes H_1^2 & \xrightarrow{A^1 \otimes I_{H_1^2}} & H_2^1 \otimes H_1^2 \\ \oplus & & \oplus \\ H_2^1 \otimes H_2^2 & \xrightarrow{A^{1,*} \otimes I_{H_2^2}} & H_1^1 \otimes H_2^2 \end{array} \quad (50.3)$$

$$\mathcal{A} := \begin{pmatrix} A^1 \otimes I_{H_2^2} & -I_{H_2^1} \otimes A^{2,*} \\ I_{H_1^1} \otimes A^2 & A^{1,*} \otimes I_{H_2^2} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{L}(H_1^1 \otimes H_1^2 \oplus H_2^1 \otimes H_2^2, H_2^1 \otimes H_1^2 \oplus H_1^1 \otimes H_2^2) \quad (50.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{A}^* = \begin{pmatrix} A^{1,*} \otimes I_{H_1^2} & I_{H_1^1} \otimes A^{2,*} \\ -I_{H_2^1} \otimes A^2 & A^1 \otimes I_{H_2^2} \end{pmatrix} : \begin{pmatrix} H_2^1 \otimes H_1^2 \\ H_1^1 \otimes H_2^2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} H_1^1 \otimes H_1^2 \\ H_2^1 \otimes H_2^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (50.5)$$

Next we compute:

$$\mathcal{A}^* \mathcal{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A^{1,*} A^1 \otimes I_{H_1^2} \oplus I_{H_1^1} \otimes A^{2,*} A^2 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{H_2^1} \otimes A^2 A^{2,*} \oplus A^1 A^{1,*} \otimes I_{H_2^2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (50.6)$$

We want to show that this operator is again Fredholm. So what is the kernel of  $A^{1,*} A^1 \otimes I_{H_1^2} \oplus I_{H_1^1} \otimes A^{2,*} A^2$ ?

In the end we get  $\mathcal{A}$  is Fredholm with  $\text{ind } \mathcal{A} = \text{ind } A^1 \text{ ind } A^2$ .

**I.4. Pseudodifferential Operators ( $\psi$ do)**

**I.4.1. Euclidean Case**

For simplicity look at the model space  $\Psi\text{DO}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$ .

**Recall** the Schwartz space

$$\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) = \left\{ s \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) \mid |(1 + |x|^2)^{\frac{k}{2}} D_x^\alpha s(x)| \leq C_{\alpha, \beta} \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^m \right\} \quad (\text{I-13})$$

Then we have the Fourier transform

$$F: \mathcal{S} \ni s \mapsto (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{-i\langle x, \xi \rangle} s(x) dx =: \hat{s}(\xi) \in \mathcal{S} \quad (\text{I-14})$$

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$$\widehat{D_x^\alpha s}(\xi) = \xi^\alpha \hat{s}(\xi) \quad (\text{I-15})$$

$$\widehat{x^\alpha s}(\xi) = D_\xi^\alpha \hat{s}(\xi) \quad (\text{I-16})$$

$$(s_1, s_2)_{L^2} = (\hat{s}_1, \hat{s}_2)_{L^2} \quad (\text{I-17})$$

$$F^{-1}s(x) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{+i\langle x, \xi \rangle} s(\xi) d\xi = (Fs)(-x) \quad (\text{I-18})$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x, D)s(x) &= \sum_{|\alpha| \leq l} A_\alpha(x) D_x^\alpha s(x) \\ &= (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{i\langle x, \xi \rangle} \underbrace{\sum_{|\alpha| \leq l} A_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha}_{\hat{P}(x, \xi)} \hat{s}(\xi) d\xi \in \text{Diff}_l(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{I-19})$$

**Standard Assumption** (controls growth at infinity)

$$|D_x^\beta D_\xi^\alpha P(x, \xi)| \leq C_{\alpha, \beta} (1 + |\xi|^2)^{\frac{l}{2} - |\alpha|} \quad (\text{I-20})$$

Now we get a calculus:

$\text{Diff}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$  is an algebra under concatenation and also a \*-algebra, i.e.

$$(P(x, D)s_1, s_2)_{L^2} = (s_1, P(x, D)^\dagger s_2)_{L^2} \quad \text{with } P(x, D)^\dagger \in \text{Diff}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) \quad (\text{I-21})$$

Here  $P^\dagger \in \text{Diff}_l \Leftrightarrow P \in \text{Diff}_l$  and we take the  $L^2$  scalar product induced by

$$\|s\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} |s(x)|_{\mathbb{C}^k}^2 dx, \quad s \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) \quad (\text{I-22})$$

**Principal Symbol**

$$\hat{P}_{\text{princ}}(x_0, \xi_0)(z) := \frac{i^l}{l!} P(\phi^l s)(x_0), \quad (\text{I-23})$$

$$\text{where } \phi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^m), \phi(x_0) = 0, d\phi(x_0) = \xi_0 \text{ and } s \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) \text{ with } s(x_0) = z \quad (\text{I-24})$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{P}_{\text{princ}}(x_0, \xi_0) = \sum_{|\alpha|=l} A_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha \quad (\text{I-25})$$

Now without requiring  $\phi(x_0) = 0$ , choose  $\phi(x) = \langle x, \xi_0 \rangle$  and set  $c := (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{P}_{princ}(x_0, \xi_0)z &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-l} e^{-it\phi(x_0)} P(x, D)(e^{it\phi} s)(x_0) \\
&= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} c \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{i\langle x_0, \xi \rangle - it\langle x_0, \xi_0 \rangle} t^{-l} \hat{P}(x_0, \xi)(\widehat{e^{it\phi} s})(\xi) d\xi \\
&= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} c \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{i\langle x_0, \xi - it\xi_0 \rangle} t^{-l} \hat{P}(x, \xi) \hat{s}(\xi - it\xi_0) d\xi \\
&= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-i\langle x_0, t\xi_0 \rangle} c \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{i\langle x_0, \eta \rangle} t^{-l} \hat{P}(x_0, \eta + t\xi_0) \hat{s}(\eta) d\eta \\
&= c \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{i\langle x, \eta \rangle} \hat{P}_{princ}(x, \xi_0) \hat{s}(\eta) d\eta = \hat{P}_{princ}(x_0, \xi_0) s(x_0)
\end{aligned} \tag{I-26}$$

We did not use that  $\hat{P}(x, \xi)$  is a polynomial, but only that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-l} \hat{P}(x_0, \eta + t\xi_0) \xrightarrow{\text{in } L^2} P(x_0, \xi_0) \tag{I-27}$$

### 51. Definition: “Symbol Space”

We define the *symbol space* of order  $l \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\text{Sym}_l(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$ , as the space of all  $\hat{p} \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m, \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^k))$  such that **Equation I-20 (Standard Assumption)** holds.

### 52. Lemma:

Let  $\hat{p} \in \text{Sym}_l(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$  and define

$$P(x, D)s(x) := (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{i\langle x, \xi \rangle} \hat{p}(x, \xi) \hat{s}(\xi) d\xi \tag{52.1}$$

Then  $P$  defines an element of  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S})$ .

### 53. Example: Crucial

We write

$$\langle \xi \rangle := (1 + |\xi|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^m) \tag{53.1}$$

$$\langle \xi \rangle^s = (1 + |\xi|^2)^{\frac{s}{2}} \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^m) \tag{53.2}$$

Then even  $\langle \xi \rangle^s \in \text{Sym}_s(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$  for all  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$A_s u(x) := (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{i\langle x, \xi \rangle} \langle \xi \rangle^s \hat{u}(\xi) d\xi, u \in \mathcal{S} \subset L^2 \tag{53.3}$$

Here  $A_s$  is closable in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$  and essentially self-adjoint.

**54. Definition: “Classic Pseudodifferential Operator”**

We define the space of *classic pseudodifferential operators* of order  $l$  as

$$\Psi\text{DO}_l(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) := \{ P(x, D) \mid \hat{P} \in \text{Sym}_l(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) \} \quad (54.1)$$

Now we define naturally  $\Psi\text{DO} := \cup_{l \in \mathbb{R}} \Psi\text{DO}_l$  but while  $\cap_{l \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \text{Diff}_l = C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^k))$  now  $\Psi\text{DO}_{-\infty} := \cap_{l \in \mathbb{R}} \Psi\text{DO}_l$  is a big space of non-trivial operators!

So what is the principal symbol of  $\Lambda_r$ ? Following the previous recipe we have to compute the  $L^2$ -limit of

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-r \langle \pi + t\xi_0 \rangle^r} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-r} (1 + |\eta + t\xi_0|^2)^{\frac{r}{2}} \quad (\text{I-28})$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-r} (1 + |\eta|^2 + t^2 |\xi_0|^2 - 2t \langle \eta, \xi_0 \rangle)^{\frac{r}{2}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (|\xi_0|^2 + \frac{1}{t^2} - \frac{2}{t} \langle \eta, \xi_0 \rangle)^{\frac{r}{2}} \quad (\text{I-29})$$

We may assume  $|\eta| \leq R$  than the elements are bounded between  $\frac{1}{2}|\xi_0|$  and  $2|\xi_0|$  if  $t \geq t(R)$  and thus the limit is  $|\xi_0|^r$ .

**55. Definition: “Formal Expansion”**

For  $p \in \text{Sym}_l(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$  a *formal expansion* (or *formal development*) is a formal series  $p_j \in \text{Sym}_{n_j}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$  such that  $n_j \rightarrow -\infty$  and if  $p - \sum_{j=1}^r p_j \in \text{Sym}_{s_j}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$  then  $s_j \rightarrow -\infty$  too. We write:

$$p(x, \xi) \sim \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j(x, \xi) \quad (55.1)$$

**Additional Requirement** If  $p \in \text{Sym}_l(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$ ,  $|\xi| \gg 0$ , there shall exist a *formal expansion*

$$p(x, \xi) \sim \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+} p_j(x, \xi) \quad (\text{I-30})$$

such that  $p - \sum_{j=1}^r p_j \in \text{Sym}_{l-j}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$  and  $p_j$  is positive homogeneous in  $\xi$  of degree  $l - j + 1$ . Then of course  $p_{pr} = p_1$ .

**Example** For  $|\xi| \geq 2$

$$(1 + |\xi|^2)^{-\frac{l}{2}} = |\xi|^{-l} \left(1 + \frac{1}{|\xi|^2}\right)^{-\frac{l}{2}} = |\xi|^{-l} \sum_{k \geq 0} \binom{-\frac{l}{2}}{k} \left(-\frac{1}{|\xi|^2}\right)^k \quad (\text{I-31})$$

**Fact:** Formal expansions induce operator expansions modulo  $\Psi\text{DO}_{-\infty}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$ .

**56. Theorem:**

1.  $\Psi\text{DO}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$  is an algebra, s.t.

$$(\widehat{P_1 P_2})_{pr} = \hat{P}_{1,pr} \hat{P}_{2,pr} \quad (56.1)$$

2.  $P \in \Psi\text{DO} \Rightarrow P^\dagger \in \Psi\text{DO}$

3. The map  $P \mapsto \hat{P}_{pr}$  is surjective and  $\hat{P}_{1,pr} = \hat{P}_{2,pr} \Rightarrow P_1 - P_2 \in \Psi\text{DO}_{l-1}$ .

**I.4.2. Regularity Theory****57. Definition: "SOBOLEV Space"**

We write

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dom } \bar{A}_s &::= H^s(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) ::= \text{Sobolev space of order } s \\ &= \{ u: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^k \mid \langle \xi \rangle^s |\hat{u}(\xi)| \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) \} \end{aligned} \quad (57.1)$$

**58. Lemma:**

The scalar product  $(s_1, s_2)$  for  $s_1, s_2 \in \mathcal{S}$  extends by continuity to a non-degenerate bilinear form

$$(s_1, s_2)_s: H^s \times H^{-s} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad (58.1)$$

i.e. it gives an isomorphism  $H^{-s} \simeq H^{s,*}$ .

$H^t$  is also a Hilbert space itself with

$$\|s\|_t^2 = (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} \langle \xi \rangle^{it} |\hat{s}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \quad (58.2)$$

**59. Theorem:**

If  $P \in \Psi\text{DO}_l$ , then  $P$  extends by continuity to an element of  $\mathcal{L}(H^r(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k), H^{r-l}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k))$ .

$(H^r(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)_{r \in \mathbb{R}})$  is called the *Sobolev chain* of  $\mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{C}^k$  (associated to  $\Lambda$ ).

**60. Theorem: SOBOLEV Imbedding**

$H^l(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k) \subset C^n(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k)$  if  $l > n + \frac{m}{2}$ .

**61. Theorem:  $L^2$ -boundedness**

Let  $P \in \Psi\text{DO}_l$ , then  $P$  extends to an element of  $\mathcal{L}(L^2(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^k))$  iff  $l \leq 0$ .

**62. Theorem: RELICH**

If  $P \in \Psi\text{DO}_l$  defined by  $\hat{P}$  satisfies that  $\pi_1 \text{supp } P(x, \xi)$  is compact in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and  $l < 0$ , then  $P$  is compact.

63. **Lemma:**

$P \in \Psi DO_{-\infty}$  is given by a smooth kernel  $K_p$ , i.e.

$$Ps(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} K_p(x, y)\{s(y)\}dy \tag{63.1}$$

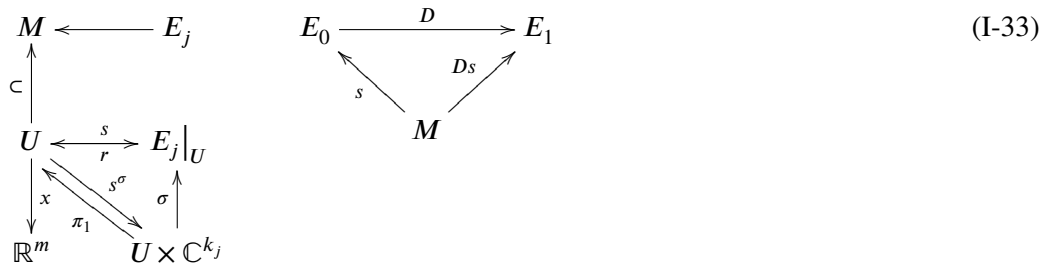
with all derivatives of  $K_p$  bounded.

For a differential operator we had *locality* i.e.  $\text{supp } Ps \subset \text{supp } s$ . But this is not true anymore for pseudodifferential operators.

**I.4.3. Manifold Case**

Fix  $M^m$  a closed oriented manifold of dimension  $m$  and on it a Riemannian metric  $g^{TM}$ . Choose also smooth  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector bundles  $E_j \rightarrow M, j = 1, 2$  of rank  $k_j$  with Hermitian metrics  $h^{E_j}$ . So then we get the Hilbert spaces  $H_j = L^2(M, E_j)$ , i.e. for  $s_j \in C(M, E_j)$  we have

$$\|s_j\|_{L^2(M, E_j)}^2 = \int_M \|s_j(p)\|_{h^{E_j}}^2 \text{vol}_M(p) \tag{I-32}$$



Now we have *differential operators*  $D: C^\infty(M, E_0) \rightarrow C^\infty(M, E_1)$  in local frames  $\sigma$  and coordinates  $x$ :

$$\sigma_1^{-1}Ds = (\sigma_1^{-1}D\sigma_0)s_{\sigma_0} = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq l} A_\alpha D_x^\alpha s_{\sigma_0} \quad \text{where } A \in C^\infty(U, \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^{k_0}, \mathbb{C}^{k_1})) \tag{I-34}$$

$$D_{x^j} = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}, \quad D_x^\alpha = D_{x_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots D_{x_n}^{\alpha_n} \tag{I-35}$$

**Recall** the *principal symbol*: for  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^m$  we replace  $D_x^\alpha$  by  $\xi^\alpha$  for  $|\alpha| = l$  to get

$$\sum_{|\alpha|=l} A_\alpha \xi^\alpha \quad \text{homogeneous polynomial in } \xi \tag{I-36}$$

(SEELEY) Fix  $\xi \in T_p^*M$ , choose  $\phi \in C^\infty(M)$ , s.t.  $\phi(p) = 0, d\phi(p) = \xi$  and choose  $e \in E_{0,p}, s_0 \in C^\infty(M, E_0)$  s.t.  $s_0(p) = e$ . Then we have  $\hat{D}: C^\infty(TM, \mathcal{L}(\pi^*(E_0), \pi^*(E_1)))$  for  $\pi: TM \rightarrow M$  and

$$\hat{D}(\xi)\{e\} = \frac{i^l}{l!} D(\phi^l s_0)(p) \tag{I-37}$$

Alternatively we can write

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (t^{-l} e^{-it\phi(p)} D(e^{it\phi} s_0)(p)) \quad (\text{I-38})$$

We call  $D$  *elliptic* iff  $\hat{D}(\xi)$  is invertible for  $\xi \neq 0$ , i.e.  $\hat{D}(\xi)$  is invertible on  $T^*M \setminus \{0\}$ . So to construct a parametrix we would want to form  $\hat{D}(\xi)^{-1}$  in  $\xi \neq 0$ .

Pseudodifferential operators are linear operators  $A$  with domain  $C^\infty(M, E_0)$  and image in  $C^\infty(M, E_1)$ . Each pseudodifferential operator has a symbol  $\hat{A}$  and the *symbol map*  $\text{Sym}: A \mapsto \hat{A}$  maps  $\Psi\text{DO}$  into the *symbol space*

$$C^\infty(T^*M \setminus \{0\}, \mathcal{L}(\pi^*E_0, \pi^*E_1)) \text{ positive homogeneous of degree } l \text{ for } l \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (\text{I-39})$$

Then we propose the following axioms:

- A1** The symbol map is surjective and if  $\hat{A}_1 = \hat{A}_2$  of order  $l$  then  $A_1 - A_2$  is of order at most  $l - 1$ .
- A2** For  $A_1 \in \Psi\text{DO}_{l_1}(E_0, E_1), A_2 \in \Psi\text{DO}_{l_2}(E_1, E_2)$  we have  $\widehat{A_2 A_1} = \hat{A}_1 \hat{A}_2$ .
- A3**  $A \in \Psi\text{DO}_l(E_0, E_1)$  extends to  $\mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$  if  $l \leq 0$ , to  $\mathcal{K}(H_1, H_2)$  if  $l < 0$  and even to  $\mathcal{K}_1(H_1, H_2)$  if  $l < -m$ .
- A4**  $A \in \Psi\text{DO}_l(E_0, E_1)$  implies  $A^* \in \Psi\text{DO}_l(E_1, E_0)$

Now choose an operator  $A_t, t \in \mathbb{R}$ , positive definite, i.e.  $\langle A_t s, s \rangle \geq 0$  and equal to zero only if  $s = 0$ .  $A_t \in \Psi\text{DO}_l(E, E)$  with  $\hat{A}_t(\xi) := \langle \xi \rangle^t$ .

#### 64. Definition: ‘‘Sobolev Space’’

We define the *Sobolev space* of order  $t$  for  $E$

$$H^t(E) := \text{dom } A_t \subset L^2(M, E) \quad (64.1)$$

**Application to Elliptic Regularity (Calderón)** Take  $D \in \Psi\text{DO}_l, l > 0$  with  $\hat{D}_{pr}(x, \xi)$  invertible for  $\xi \neq 0$ . Then we want to show that  $s \in \text{dom } D \subset L^2, Ds \in C^\infty(M, E)$  implies  $s \in C^\infty(M, E)$ .

Construct  $R_0 \in \Psi\text{DO}_{-l}$  s.t.  $\hat{R}_{0pr} = (\hat{D}_{pr})^{-1}$  outside the zero-section. Then

$$\widehat{R_0 D}_{pr} = \hat{R}_{0pr} \hat{D}_{pr} = I_{E_0} \quad (\text{I-40})$$

$$\Rightarrow R_0 D = I + Q \quad \text{with } Q \in \Psi\text{DO}_{-1}(M, E_0) \subset \mathcal{K}(H_1, H_2) \quad (\text{I-41})$$

Put for any  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$R_{N+1} := \sum_{k=0}^N (I - R_0 D)^k R_0 = R_0 \sum_{k=0}^N (I - D R_0)^k \quad (\text{I-42})$$

$$\Rightarrow I - R_N D = (I - R_0 D)^N = Q^N \in \Psi\text{DO}_{-N}(M, E_0) \quad (\text{I-43})$$

(analogous for  $D R_0$ )

Hence for  $N > m$ ,  $R_N$  is of trace class and thus a good parametrix.



**65. Theorem:**

Let  $A \in \Psi\text{DO}_l(M, E_0, E_1)$  be elliptic for  $l > 0$ . Then

1.  $\bar{A}: H^l(M, E_0) \rightarrow H^0(M, E_1)$  and  $\|s\|_{H^l(M, E_0)}$  is equivalent to the graph norm of  $\bar{A}$ .
2.  $\bar{A}$  is a Fredholm operator, and

$$\text{ind } \bar{A} = \text{tr}_{H_1}(I_{H_1} - R_N A) - \text{tr}_{H_2}(I_{H_2} - A R_N) \quad (65.1)$$

if  $N > m$ .

3. *Elliptic regularity:* If  $s \in H^l(M, E_0)$  and  $\bar{A}s \in H^r(M, E_1)$ , then  $s \in H^k(M, E_0)$  where  $k = \max\{l, l+r\}$ .
4.  $\overline{A^\dagger}: H^l(M, E_1) \rightarrow H^0(M, E_0)$  is actually equal to  $A^*$ .

**Proof (65)**

1. Is already known.
2.  $\bar{A} \in \mathcal{F}_{cl}(H_1, H_2)$  by the parametrix construction, the index formula was already proved.
3. If  $s \in H^l(M, E_0)$  then  $\bar{A}s \in H^0 = L^2(M, E_1)$ . Now assume  $\bar{A}s \in H^r(M, E_0)$  for some  $r > 0$ . Then we apply  $R_N$ ,  $N$  large

$$\bar{A}s =: s' \in H^r(M, E_0) \Rightarrow R_N \bar{A}s = R_N s' \in H^{r'+l}(M, E_0) \quad (65.2)$$

$$= \underbrace{(R_N \bar{A} - I_{H_1})}_{\mathcal{Q}_0^N} s + s \Rightarrow s = \underbrace{R_N s'}_{\in H^N(M, E_0)} + (I_{H_1} - R_N \bar{A})s \in H^{\min\{r'+l, N\}}(M, E_0) \quad (65.3)$$

In particular,  $\bar{A}s \in C^\infty(M, E_1) \Rightarrow s \in C^\infty(M, E_0)$ .

**I.4.4. Elliptic Complexes****66. Definition: “Differential Complex” and “Elliptic Complex”**

Let  $E_i \rightarrow M$  be a finite sequence of vector bundles over a manifold  $M$ . Then a sequence of differential operators  $D_i \in \text{Diff}(M, E_i, E_{i+1})$  is called a *differential complex*. We write:

$$0 \longrightarrow E_0 \xrightarrow{D_0} E_1 \xrightarrow{D_1} \dots \xrightarrow{D_{k-1}} E_k \longrightarrow 0 \quad (66.1)$$

If the corresponding sequence of *principal symbols*  $D_i \in C^\infty(T^*M, \mathcal{L}(\pi^*E_i, \pi^*E_{i+1}))$ ,

$$0 \longrightarrow E_0 \xrightarrow{\hat{D}_0(\xi)} E_1 \xrightarrow{\hat{D}_1(\xi)} \dots \xrightarrow{\hat{D}_{k-1}(\xi)} E_k \longrightarrow 0 \quad (66.2)$$

is *exact* outside the zero section, i.e. for  $\xi \in T^*M \setminus M$ , we call the differential complex *elliptic*.

**Main example:** The *de Rham complex* and its symbols are

$$0 \longrightarrow \lambda^0(M) \xrightarrow{d} \lambda^1(M) \xrightarrow{d} \dots \xrightarrow{d} \lambda^m(M) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (\text{I-44})$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \Lambda^0 T^* M \xrightarrow{i \mathfrak{w}(\xi)_0} \Lambda^1 T^* M \xrightarrow{i \mathfrak{w}(\xi)_1} \dots \xrightarrow{i \mathfrak{w}(\xi)_{m-1}} \Lambda^m T^* M \longrightarrow 0 \quad (\text{I-45})$$

Now for  $\xi \neq 0$  we have  $\ker \mathfrak{w}(\xi)_{i+1} = \text{im } \mathfrak{w}(\xi)_i$ , i.e. this sequence is *exact*, thus  $(\lambda^j(M), d^j)$  is an *elliptic complex*. But notice that in general  $H_{dR}^j(M) := \ker d^j / \text{im } d^j \neq 0$ .

Let  $M$  be compact as always, then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \overline{d^j}: H^1(M, \Lambda^j T^* M) & \longrightarrow & L^2(M, \Lambda^{j+1} T^* M) \\ & \searrow & \uparrow \\ & \ker \overline{d^j} \subset \ker \overline{d^{j+1}} \subset H^1(M, \Lambda^{j+1} T^* M) & \end{array} \quad (\text{I-46})$$

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Problem: show  $\text{im } \overline{d^j} \subset \ker \overline{d^{j+1}}$ .

Thus we define the *closed de Rham complex*:  $(\lambda^j(M), \overline{d^j})$ .

**Note** If  $\varepsilon|_{\Lambda^j T^* M} = (-1)^j I_{\Lambda^j T^* M}$  then

$$\varepsilon_{j+1} \overline{d^j} + \overline{d^j} \varepsilon_j = 0 \quad (\text{I-47})$$

**67. Lemma:**

Let  $A \in C(H)$  with adjoint  $A^* \in C(H)$  and  $A^2 = 0$ , i.e.  $\text{im } A \subset \ker A \subset \text{dom } A$ . Then

$$D := A + A^* \quad \text{with } \text{dom } D = \text{dom } A \cap \text{dom } A^* \quad (\text{67.1})$$

dense in  $H$  is self-adjoint.

**68. Theorem: HODGE Decomposition Theorem**

Let  $H$  be any Hilbert space and  $d \in C(H)$  with  $d^2 = 0$ , then:

1. There is an orthogonal decomposition (called the *Kodaira-Hodge decomposition*)

$$\begin{aligned} H &= \ker d \cap \ker d^* \oplus \overline{\text{im } d} \oplus \overline{\text{im } d^*} \\ &= H_h \oplus H_{cl} \oplus H_{ccl} \\ &\quad \text{harmonic} \quad \text{closed} \quad \text{coclosed} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{68.1})$$

2. Define the *Hodge operator*  $D := d + d^*$ , then  $D$  is densely defined and self-adjoint.
3. If  $D$  is Fredholm then  $\text{im } d = \overline{\text{im } d}$ ,  $\text{im } d^* = \overline{\text{im } d^*}$  and we have the *Hodge decomposition*  $H = H_h \oplus \text{im } d \oplus \text{im } d^*$  and  $H_h = \ker D \simeq \ker d / \text{im } d$  is finite dimensional.

**Notation:**  $\ker d / \operatorname{im} d = \mathcal{H}(H, d)$  is called the *homology* of  $(H, d)$  and is usually a topological quantity.

4.  $D$  is Fredholm iff  $\dim \ker d / \operatorname{im} d < \infty$ .
5. If  $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  is a self-adjoint involution, i.e.  $\alpha^{-1} = \alpha = \alpha^*$  and  $d$  is odd ( $d\alpha + \alpha d = 0$ ) then if  $D$  is Fredholm we have

$$\operatorname{ind} D^+ = \dim \mathcal{H}^+(H, d) - \dim \mathcal{H}^-(H, d) \quad (68.2)$$

Here  $H$  can also be constructed from a non-compact manifold.

**Proof** (68)

1. We have a decomposition

$$H = \ker d \oplus (\ker d)^\perp = \ker d \oplus \overline{\operatorname{im} d^*} \quad (68.3)$$

$$= \overline{\operatorname{im} d} \oplus \ker d \cap \ker d^* \oplus \overline{\operatorname{im} d^*} \simeq (\ker d \cap \ker d^*) \oplus \overline{\operatorname{im} d} \oplus \overline{\operatorname{im} d^*} \quad (68.4)$$

Since  $D$  is Fredholm we know that  $\operatorname{im} D = \{ dx + d^*x \mid x \in \operatorname{dom} d \cap \operatorname{dom} d^* \}$  is closed and  $\langle dx, d^*x \rangle = \langle d^2x, x \rangle = 0$ .

$$H = \underbrace{\mathcal{H} \oplus \overline{\operatorname{im} d}}_{\subset \ker d} \oplus \underbrace{\overline{\operatorname{im} d^*}}_{\subset \operatorname{dom} d^*} \quad (68.5)$$

$$\operatorname{dom} d = \mathcal{H} \oplus \overline{\operatorname{im} d} \oplus \overline{\operatorname{im} d^*} \cap \operatorname{dom} d \quad (68.6)$$

$$\operatorname{dom} D = \mathcal{H} \oplus \overline{\operatorname{im} d} \cap \operatorname{dom} d^* \oplus \overline{\operatorname{im} d^*} \cap \operatorname{dom} d \ni x = x_h \oplus x_{cl} \oplus x_{ccl} \quad (68.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow dx + d^*x = d^*x_{cl} + dx_{ccl} \quad (68.8)$$

Where the indices stand for *harmonic*, *closed* and *coclosed*.

If  $y_{ccl} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} dx_{ccl,n}$  then also  $y_{ccl} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Dx_{ccl,n} = D\bar{x}_{ccl} = d\bar{x}_{ccl}$ .

2. Assume that  $D$  is Fredholm. Then  $\ker d = H_h \oplus H_{cl}$ , so  $\operatorname{dom} d = H_h \oplus H_{cl} \oplus (H_{ccl} \cap \operatorname{dom} d)$  and  $H_{ccl} \cap \operatorname{dom} d$  has to be dense in  $H_{ccl}$ . In the same way we get that  $H_{cl} \cap \operatorname{dom} d^*$  is dense in  $H_{cl}$ . So then  $\operatorname{dom} d \cap \operatorname{dom} d^* = H_h \oplus (H_{cl} \cap \operatorname{dom} d^*) \oplus (H_{ccl} \cap \operatorname{dom} d)$  is dense in  $H$  and  $D$  maps  $H_h$  to 0,  $H_{cl} \cap \operatorname{dom} d^*$  as  $d^*$  to  $H_{ccl}$  and  $H_{ccl} \cap \operatorname{dom} d$  like  $d$  to  $H_{cl}$ . Now  $d \in \mathcal{C}(H_{ccl}, H_{cl})$  with adjoint  $d^* \in \mathcal{C}(H_{cl}, H_{ccl})$ .

**Example** Apply this to the *de Rham complex* on  $M$  compact, then

$$d^\pm \in \operatorname{Diff}_1(M, \Lambda^{ev/odd} T^*M, \Lambda^{odd/ev} T^*M) \quad (I-48)$$

$$\bar{d}^*, \bar{d} \in \operatorname{Diff}_1(M, H^1(M, \Lambda T^*M, \Lambda T^*M)) \quad (I-49)$$

$$(\widehat{d + d^\dagger})(\xi) = i(\mathfrak{m}(\xi) - i(\xi^\#)) = ic(\xi) \quad (I-50)$$

$$-c(\xi)^2 = |\xi|^2 I_{\Lambda T^*M} \quad (I-51)$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(\lambda_{(2)}(M), d) &= \ker d / \text{im } d = \bigoplus_{j \geq 0} \ker d^j / \text{im } d^{j-1} \\ &= \bigoplus_{j \geq 0} \mathcal{H}_{dR}^j(M) \simeq \bigoplus_{j \geq 0} \mathcal{H}_{\text{sing}}^j(M, \mathbb{R}) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{I-52})$$

This gives us the following

**69. Corollary:**

$D^+ \in \mathcal{F}_{cl}(H^+, H^-)$  is also Fredholm with

$$\text{ind } D^+ = \dim \mathcal{H}^+ - \dim \mathcal{H}^- = \chi(M) \quad (69.1)$$

if  $M$  is orientable.

**Example** Consider  $M^m$ , a closed, oriented manifold with a Riemannian metric  $g^{TM}$ . We introduce the *complex volume*

$$\omega_M := i^{\lfloor \frac{m+1}{2} \rfloor} c(e_1) \circ \dots \circ c(e_m) \quad (\text{I-53})$$

where  $(e_i)$  is a loonf for  $TM$  and  $c$  denotes the natural Clifford action on  $\Lambda T^*M$ :  $c(e_j) = \mathfrak{w}(e^j) - i(e_j)$ .

In physics  $\omega$  is called the *chirality operator*.

**70. Lemma: Properties of  $\omega$**

1.  $\omega^\dagger = \omega$ ,  $\omega^2 = I_{\Lambda T^*M}$
2.  $c(X)\omega = (-1)^{m+1} \omega c(X)$ ,  $X \in TM$
3.  $\nabla^{LC} \omega = 0$
4.  $d\omega = (-1)^{m+1} \omega d^\dagger$

This implies  $D\omega + (-1)^{m+1} \omega D = 0$  and  $d^\dagger = (-1)^{m+1} \omega d \omega$

5. Assume  $m$  is even and express  $\omega$  by the *Hodge star operator*  $*$ .

Then  $\omega$  splits

$$\lambda_{(2)}(M) = \lambda_{(2)}^+(M) \oplus \lambda_{(2)}^-(M) \quad (\text{I-54})$$

$$\mathcal{H}(\lambda_{(2)}(M), d) = \mathcal{H}^+ \oplus H^-(\lambda_{(2)}(M), d) \quad (\text{I-55})$$

Then again

$$\text{ind } D^+ = \dim \mathcal{H}^+ - \dim \mathcal{H}^- = \dim \mathcal{H}^{\frac{m}{2},+} - \dim \mathcal{H}^{\frac{m}{2},-} =: \text{signature of } M \quad (\text{I-56})$$

$$= \text{tr } \beta \quad (\text{I-57})$$

where

$$\beta(\eta) = \int_M \eta \wedge \omega \eta \tag{I-58}$$

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Show that  $\text{ind } D^* = 0$  if  $m \in 2 + 4\mathbb{Z}$ .

So an interesting signature arises only for  $m \in 4\mathbb{Z}$ . In that case the complex volume element is  $\omega = (-1)^{m/4} c(e_1) \circ \dots \circ c(e_m)$ .

**71. Theorem: HIRZEBRUCH**

For  $M$  closed and oriented

$$\text{sig } M = \text{ind } D^+ = \int_M L(R^{LM}/2\pi i) \tag{71.1}$$

with the L-polynomial as defined in [Definition 29 \(Some Concrete Polynomials\)](#)

## II. The Topological Index

### II.1. Characteristic Classes

The important insight here is that *characteristic classes* (short cc) depend only on the vector bundle.

**Recall:** We have vector bundles  $E, E_0, E_1$  over a manifold  $M$  and differential forms with values in a vector bundle:

$$\lambda(M, E) := C^\infty(M, E \otimes \Lambda T^* M) \quad (\text{II-1})$$

$$\lambda^p(M, E) \ni \omega = \sum_j \sigma_j u^j =: \sigma\{u\}, \quad u^j \in \lambda^p(U), \quad (\text{II-2})$$

where  $\sigma_j$  is a frame of  $E$  over  $U$ .

In this way we can take  $\lambda^0(M, \mathcal{L}(E)) = C^\infty(M, \mathcal{L}(E))$  which gives a matrix of  $C^\infty(U)$  elements for any section  $A$  over  $U$  and we can calculate

$$\sigma \cdot A: \sigma_k A_j^k = (\sigma \cdot A)_j \quad (\text{II-3})$$

$$(\sigma \cdot A \cdot u) = \sigma_j (A_k^j u^k) = (\sigma_j A_k^j) u^k \quad (\text{II-4})$$

$$\sigma' := \sigma A, \quad \sigma' \{u'\} = \sigma\{u\} = \sigma A \{u'\} \Leftrightarrow Au' = u \Leftrightarrow u' = A^{-1}u \quad (\text{II-5})$$

where we use the Einstein summation convention. Then for forms  $A \in \lambda^p(M, \mathcal{L}(E))$ :

$$\Rightarrow A_k^j \in \lambda^p(U) \quad (\text{II-6})$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma A \wedge u = \sigma_j A_k^j \wedge u^k \quad (\text{II-7})$$

$$A, B \in \lambda(M, \mathcal{L}(E)) \quad (\text{II-8})$$

$$(A \wedge B)_k^j := A_k^l \wedge B_l^j \quad (\text{II-9})$$

Now for  $E$  ungraded and  $A \in \lambda^p(M, \mathcal{L}(E))$  and  $B \in \lambda^q(M, \mathcal{L}(E))$  the *supercommutator* is

$$[A, B]_s = A \wedge B - (-1)^{pq} B \wedge A \quad (\text{II-10})$$

If we change frames by  $\sigma' = \sigma F$  we get

$$\sigma' A' u' = \sigma A u \Leftrightarrow u' = F u, A' = F^{-1} A F \quad (\text{II-11})$$

Now take a connection  $\nabla$  on  $\lambda(M, E)$ , i.e. for  $s \in \lambda(M, E)$ ,  $\omega \in \lambda^p(M)$ :

$$\nabla(s\omega) = (\nabla s)\omega + s(-1)^{|\omega|} d\omega \quad (\text{II-12})$$

$$\nabla \sigma_j = \sigma_k \Gamma_j^k \in \lambda^1(U, E) \quad (\text{II-13})$$

where  $(\sigma_j)$  is again a frame. Now with  $\sigma\{u\} \in C^\infty(U, E)$

$$\nabla \sigma\{u\} = \nabla(\sigma_j u^j) = (\nabla \sigma_j) u^j + \sigma_j du^j \quad (\text{II-14})$$

$$= \sigma_k \Gamma_j^k u^j + \sigma_k du^k = \sigma\{d\{u\} + \Gamma\{u\}\} \quad (\text{II-15})$$

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Then for a change of frame  $\sigma' = \sigma F$  we get the formula

$$\Gamma' = F^{-1} \Gamma F + F^{-1} dF \quad (\text{II-16})$$

Take  $A, B \in \lambda(M, \mathcal{L}(E))$ , then

$$\nabla(A \wedge B) = \nabla A \wedge B + (-1)^{|A|} A \wedge \nabla B \quad (\text{II-17})$$

and for  $A \in \lambda(M, \mathcal{L}(E))$  and  $u \in \lambda(M, E)$  we get

$$\nabla(A \cdot u) = (\nabla A)u - (-1)^{|A|} A \cdot \nabla u \quad (\text{II-18})$$

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Show that [Equation II-18](#) translates locally to

$$\{\nabla A\} = d\{A\} + [\Gamma, \{A\}]_s \quad (\text{II-19})$$

**72. Definition: “Trace of Forms”**

For  $A \in \lambda(M, \mathcal{L}(E))$  we define the *trace* as

$$\text{tr } A := \sum_j A_j^j \in \lambda(M) \quad (72.1)$$

Then  $\text{tr } A$  is well defined and

$$d \text{tr } A = \text{tr } \nabla A \quad (72.2)$$

for any connection  $\nabla$  on  $E$ .

**Curvature**  $= \nabla^2 \in \lambda^2(M, \mathcal{L}(E))$

For  $u \in \lambda(M, E)$  we get

$$\nabla^2 u = \nabla(\nabla u) = \sigma\{d\{\nabla u\} + \Gamma\{\nabla u\}\} = \sigma\{d\{d\{u\} + \Gamma\{u\}\} + \Gamma\{d\{u\} + \Gamma\{u\}\}\} \quad (\text{II-20})$$

$$= \sigma\{d(\Gamma\{u\}) + \Gamma \wedge d\{u\} + \Gamma \wedge \Gamma\{u\}\} = \sigma\{d\Gamma\{u\} + \Gamma \wedge \Gamma\{u\}\} \quad (\text{II-21})$$

$$\Rightarrow \{\nabla^2\} = d\Gamma + \Gamma \wedge \Gamma = d\Gamma + \frac{1}{2}[\Gamma, \Gamma] \quad (\text{II-22})$$

$$(\nabla^2)_j^k = d\Gamma_j^k + \Gamma_j^l \wedge \Gamma_l^k \quad (\text{II-23})$$

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So again for  $A \in \lambda(M, \mathcal{L}(E))$  we get

$$\{\nabla^2 A\} = [\{\nabla^2\}, \{A\}]_s \quad (\text{II-24})$$

**73. Theorem: BIANCHI Identity**

The curvature tensor is constant:

$$\nabla(\nabla^2) = 0 \quad (73.1)$$

**Proof (73)**

$$\nabla^3 u = \nabla(\nabla^2 u) = (\nabla(\nabla^2))u + \nabla^2(\nabla u) \quad (73.2)$$

$$= \nabla^2(\nabla u) \quad (73.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla(\nabla^2) = 0 \quad (73.4)$$

**Variation of Connections and Curvature** Take two connections  $\nabla^0, \nabla^1$  on  $E$ , then

$$\nabla^t := (1-t)\nabla^0 + t\nabla^1, t \in [0, 1] \quad (II-25)$$

is a connection and

$$\nabla^t - \nabla^0 = t(\nabla^1 - \nabla^0) \stackrel{\{t\}}{=} t(\Gamma^1 - \Gamma^0) =: t\Theta^{0,1} \in \lambda^1(M, \mathcal{L}(E)) \quad (II-26)$$

because  $\Theta^{0,1}$  transforms nicely under a change of frame (compare [Equation II-16](#)). So then

$$\frac{d}{dt}\nabla^t =: \dot{\nabla}^t = \Theta^{0,1} \quad (II-27)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\nabla^{t,2} = (\nabla^t \nabla^t) \cdot = \dot{\nabla}^t \nabla^t + \nabla^t \dot{\nabla}^t = \Theta^{0,1} \nabla^t + \nabla^t \Theta^{0,1} \quad (II-28)$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\nabla}^{t,2} u = \Theta^{0,1} \wedge \nabla^t u + \nabla^t(\Theta^{0,1} u) \quad (II-29)$$

$$= \Theta^{0,1} \wedge \nabla^t u + (\nabla^t \Theta^{0,1}) \wedge u + (-1)\Theta^{0,1} \wedge \nabla^t u = (\nabla^t \Theta^{0,1}) \wedge u \quad (II-30)$$

Now we introduce

$$\Omega := -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \nabla^2 \quad (II-31)$$

**74. Definition: “Adams Form” and “Chern Form”**

We define the *Adams forms* as

$$\psi_k := \text{tr } \Omega^k \in \lambda^{2k}(M), k \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \quad (74.1)$$

and the *Chern forms* as

$$\det(I - \lambda\Omega) = \sum_{j \geq 0} \lambda^j c_j, \quad c_j \in \lambda^{2j}(M) \quad (74.2)$$

We should denote the dependencies by writing  $\psi_k(E, \nabla^E)$ .

Assume  $M^m$  is a closed and oriented manifold. Then the following questions arise:

1. Is  $d\psi_k = dc_k = 0$ ?
2. Do  $\psi_k$  and  $c_k$  depend on  $\nabla$ ?



**75. Lemma:**

The *Adams forms* are closed.

**Proof (75)** Note that  $\lambda^{ev}$  commutes with any form. Then

$$d\psi_k = d \operatorname{tr} \Omega^k \stackrel{72}{=} \operatorname{tr}(\nabla \Omega^k) \stackrel{!}{=} \operatorname{tr}(k\Omega^{k-1} \nabla(\nabla^2)(-\frac{1}{2\pi i})) \stackrel{73}{=} 0 \quad (75.1)$$

**76. Corollary:**

Since any  $c_k$  is a linear combination of some  $\psi_k$ , all  $c_k$  are closed.

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**Proof (76)** Show this by using NEWTON's identities.

**77. Corollary:**

Let  $f$  be holomorphic in a neighbourhood of 0, then  $f(\Omega)$  is closed.

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**78. Theorem:**

Any  $f(\Omega)$  is independent of the choice of  $\nabla$ , modulo  $d$ -boundaries.

$$f \in \mathbb{C}\{\{z\}\}, \quad \Omega = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \nabla^{E,2} \in \lambda^2(M, \mathcal{L}(E)) \quad (II-32)$$

$$E \rightarrow M, \nabla^E \quad (II-33)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_+(E) := \operatorname{tr}_E \{f(\Omega) = \sum_{j \geq 0} f_j \Omega^j\} = \sum_{j \geq 0} f_j \underbrace{\psi_j(E)}_{\in \lambda^{2j}(M)} \in \lambda^{ev}(M) \quad (II-34)$$

Then

$$f_+(E), f_-(E) := \det f(\Omega) \in \lambda^{ev}(M) \quad (II-35)$$

are closed and their *de Rham class*, which we then call *characteristic class*, does not depend on the choice of  $\nabla^E$ .

**79. Lemma: Functorial Properties of Characteristic Classes**

We have  $f(E) = f_{+, -}(E) \in H_{dR}^{ev}(M)$ . Now  $\phi \in C^\infty(M, N)$  induces a homomorphism  $\phi^* = H_{dR}^{ev}(N) \rightarrow H_{dR}^{ev}(M)$  of commutative rings. Then

1.  $\phi^*(f(E)) = f(\phi^* E)$
2.  $f(E^*) = \check{f}(E)$  where  $\check{f}(z) = f(-z)$
3.  $f_+(E_0 \oplus E_1) = f_+(E_0) + f_+(E_1)$
4.  $f_-(E_0 \otimes E_1) = f_-(E_0) \wedge f_-(E_1)$

As in **Definition 29 (Some Concrete Polynomials)** we have

**80. Theorem: Most Frequent Characteristic Classes**

1.  $\psi^k(E) = \text{tr } \Omega^k$  are the *Adams classes* (mostly technical)
2.  $c_k(E)$  are the *Chern classes* (from  $\det(I - \lambda\Omega)$ )

$$c(E) = \sum_{j \geq 0} c_j(E) \tag{80.1}$$

3.  $\text{ch } E = \text{tr } e^{\Omega}$  the *Chern character*
4.  $\hat{A}(E) = \det \left( \frac{\Omega}{\sinh \Omega} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  the  *$\hat{A}$ -genus*
5.  $\text{Td}(E) = \det \left( \frac{\Omega}{1 - e^{-\Omega}} \right)$  the *Todd class* (after TODD)

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**Use in Topology** If  $E$  is trivial then all characteristic forms are zero and they are equal for isomorphic bundles.

**81. Lemma: Properties of the Chern Character**

Let  $E_0, E_1$  be vector bundles over  $M$ , then we have

Additivity:  $\text{ch}(E_0 \oplus E_1) = \text{ch}(E_0) + \text{ch}(E_1)$

Multiplicity:  $\text{ch}(E_0 \otimes E_1) = \text{ch}(E_0) \wedge \text{ch}(E_1)$

**Proof** (81) of the multiplicity:

Take connections  $\nabla^0, \nabla^1$  on  $E_0, E_1$ . Then there is a connection  $\nabla^{E_0 \otimes E_1}$  on  $E_0 \otimes E_1$  manufactured from

$$\nabla^{E_0 \otimes E_1}(s_0 \otimes s_1) = (\nabla^{E_0} s_0) \otimes s_1 + s_0 \otimes (\nabla^{E_1} s_1) \tag{81.1}$$

Compute  $\Gamma$  locally:

$$\sigma_{0i} \otimes \sigma_{1j} | \{ \nabla^{E_0 \otimes E_1} u \} = d\{u\} + \Gamma \wedge \{u\} \tag{81.2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^{(E_0 \otimes E_1), 2} = d\Gamma + \Gamma \wedge \Gamma \tag{81.3}$$

$$= \nabla^{E_0, 2} \otimes I_1 + I_0 \otimes \nabla^{E_1, 2} \tag{81.4}$$

$$\text{ch}(E_0 \otimes E_1) = \text{tr } e^{\nabla^{0,2} \otimes I_1 + I_0 \otimes \nabla^{1,2}} = \text{tr}(e^{\nabla^{0,2} \otimes I_1} e^{I_0 \otimes \nabla^{1,2}}) = \text{tr}_{E_0} e^{\nabla^{0,2}} \text{tr}_{E_1} e^{\nabla^{1,2}} \tag{81.5}$$

**82. Theorem:**

Take a vector bundle  $E \rightarrow M^m, m \in 2\mathbb{Z}$ , with connection  $\nabla^E$  and form  $(\Lambda^k E)_{k \geq 0}$  with the natural even/odd grading. Then

$$\text{ch } \Lambda^{ev} E^* - \text{ch } \Lambda^{odd} E^* = c_m(E) (\text{Td})^{-1}(M) \tag{82.1}$$

**Remark on Real Vector Bundles** Formally we can repeat what we did before, but  $f$  needs to be real. Then we have again

$$\det(I - \lambda \nabla^{E,2}) = \sum_{j \geq 0} \lambda_j^c(E) \quad (\text{II-36})$$

The relation  $f(E^*) = \check{f}(E)$  with  $\check{f}(z) = -z$ .

$$\Rightarrow f(E) = \check{f}(E) \Leftrightarrow f_{2j+1} = 0 \forall j \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \quad (\text{II-37})$$

$$\Rightarrow c_{2j+1}(E) = 0 \forall j \quad (\text{II-38})$$

### 83. Definition: “Pontrjagin Form”

If  $E$  is real, then we define

$$p_j(E) := c_{2j}(E) \in H_{dR}^{4j}(M) \quad (83.1)$$

as the  $j$ -th Pontrjagin form

Let  $E \rightarrow M^m$ ,  $m \in 2\mathbb{Z}$  be real and oriented. Choose a metric  $g^E$ , a metric connection  $\nabla^E$  and a loonf  $(e_j)$ , then  $\nabla^{E,2}$  is skew-symmetric.

Now we have a fibre  $V = E_p$  as an Euclidean vector space and thereon the skew-symmetric operators denoted by  $A \in \mathcal{L}_{as}(V)$ . Then there is an isomorphism

$$\mathcal{L}_{as}(V) \ni A \mapsto \sum_{j < k} \langle Ae_j, e_k \rangle e^j \wedge e^k \in \Lambda^2(V) \quad (\text{II-39})$$

and the other way around

$$\tilde{A} \mapsto e_{\wedge}^{\tilde{A}} \mapsto \int^B e_{\wedge}^{\tilde{A}} \quad (\text{II-40})$$

Here we call

$$\int^B e_{\wedge}^{\tilde{A}} =: \text{Pf}(-A) \in \Lambda_p^m V \quad (\text{II-41})$$

the *Euler form* of  $E$  and under a change of orientation we have

$$\text{Pf}(E_{or}) = -\text{Pf}(E_{-or}) \quad (\text{II-42})$$

Thus the following is independent of the orientation:

$$\int_M \text{Pf}(E) =: \chi(E) \quad (\text{II-43})$$

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**Interesting Fact:**  $\text{Pf}(A)^2 = \det(A)$

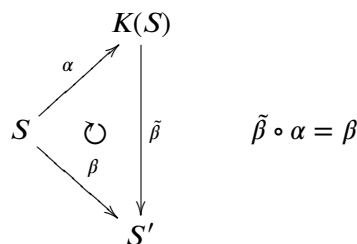
## II.2. Some Elements of K-Theory

“K-Theory is the linear algebra of manifolds.”

For a reference see the classic book [Ati94].

Take a locally compact Hausdorff space  $X$ . Then we define  $\text{Vect}(X)$  to be the isomorphism classes of continuous  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector bundles on  $X$ . If  $X$  is just one point,  $X = *$ , we have  $\text{Vect}(*) = \mathbb{Z}_+ \subset \mathbb{Z}$ . In general  $\text{Vect}(X)$  is a commutative semiring for every  $X$ . To get nicer objects we use the

**Grothendieck Construction** Let  $S$  be an abelian semi-group with 0. Then we want an abelian group  $K(S)$  admitting a semigroup homomorphism  $\alpha: S \rightarrow K(S)$  and satisfying the following universal property for any other group  $S'$  and any semigroup homomorphism  $\beta$ :



### 84. Definition: “GROTHENDIECK Group”

Let  $S$  be any semigroup. Take  $F(S)$  as the free abelian group generated by  $S$ ,  $F(S) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^S$ , with group homomorphism  $S \ni s \rightarrow \langle s \rangle \in F(S)$ . Then we take  $E(S)$  as the subgroup of  $F(S)$  generated by  $(\langle s_1 + s_2 \rangle - \langle s_1 \rangle - \langle s_2 \rangle)$  and put the *Grothendieck group* as  $K(S) := F(S)/E(S)$ .

We also introduce another construction. Let  $\Delta S := \{ (s, s) \mid s \in S \}$  and define

$$\mathcal{K}(S) := S \times S / \Delta S \tag{84.1}$$

where  $S \times S$  carries the usual product group structure.

### 85. Theorem: Properties of the Grothendieck Group

For a semigroup  $S$  and the above constructions we get:

1.  $\mathcal{K}(S)$  is abelian and satisfies the universal property with the natural group homomorphism  $S \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(S)$  in the form  $\alpha(s) = (s, 0) + \Delta S$ . So then  $\mathcal{K}(S) \simeq K(S)$ . We will thus only write  $K(S)$  denoting any isomorphic group that satisfies said universal property.
2. Any element of  $K(S)$  takes the form  $\alpha(s_1) - \alpha(s_2)$ ,  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ .
3.  $\alpha$  is injective iff  $S$  has the *cancellation property*:

$$s_1 + s = s_2 + s \Rightarrow s_1 = s_2 \tag{85.1}$$

for all  $s, s_1, s_2 \in S$ .

4. If  $S$  carries a semi-ring structure, it induces one on  $K(S)$ .
5.  $\text{Vect}(X)$  does not have the cancellation property.

**Eilenberg-Steenrod Axioms** The *Eilenberg-Steenrod axioms* describe properties that a reasonable *homology theory* should satisfy. First of all there has to be a functor which assigns each pair of topological spaces  $(X, A)$  with  $A \subset X$  a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded abelian group  $H(X, A) = (H_q(X, A))_{q \in \mathbb{Z}}$ , called the *homology groups*. Here we write  $(X, \emptyset) =: X$ . Also for each continuous map  $f: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y, B)$ , i.e.  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $f|_A: A \rightarrow B$ , there is an induced group homomorphism  $f_*: H(X, A) \rightarrow H(Y, B)$  which respects the grading. Given the natural injections  $i: A \rightarrow X$  and  $j: X \rightarrow (X, A)$  we get a short sequence:

$$H(A) \xrightarrow{i_*} H(X) \xrightarrow{j_*} H(X, A) \tag{II-44}$$

Then there is connecting *boundary operator*  $\partial: H_*(X, A) \rightarrow H_{*-1}(A)$  (compare also the *snake lemma*).

Now the axioms are the following:

- A1  $f = \text{id}_{(X,A)} \Rightarrow f_* = \text{id}_{H(X,A)}$
- A2 The functor is covariant:  $(gf)_* = g_*f_*$ .
- A3 The *boundary operator* is natural, i.e. the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_*(X, A) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & H_{*-1}(A) \\ \downarrow f_* & & \downarrow f_* \\ H_*(Y, B) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & H_{*-1}(B) \end{array} \tag{II-45}$$

- A4 The long sequence constructed from  $i, j$  and  $\partial$  is exact:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \cdots & \rightarrow & H_{q+1}(X, A) & \xrightarrow{i_*} & H_{q+1}(X) & \xrightarrow{j_*} & H_{q+1}(A) & \cdots \\ & & & & & & & \downarrow \partial \\ & & \cdots & & \cdots & & \cdots & \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\ & & \cdots & \rightarrow & H_q(X, A) & \xrightarrow{i_*} & H_q(X) & \xrightarrow{j_*} & H_q(A) & \cdots \end{array} \tag{II-46}$$

- A5 Homotopic maps  $f, g$  satisfy  $f_* = g_*$ .
- A6 *Excision property*: Given  $(X, A)$  and  $U, V$  open s.t.  $U \subset A, \bar{U} \subset V \subset A$  then

$$H(X \setminus U, A \setminus U) = H(X, A) \tag{II-47}$$

- A7 *Dimension axiom*:  $H_q(\text{pt}) = 0$  for all  $q \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ .

**Cohomology** For a *cohomology* theory there are similar axioms. We have again a functor, which now assigns the *cohomology classes*, denoted by  $H^q(X, A)$ . But now the functor is contravariant, i.e. for  $f: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y, B)$  we get  $f^*: H^*(Y, B) \rightarrow H^*(X, A)$  and instead of (A2) we have  $(gf)^* = f^*g^*$ . Also the boundary operator is replaced by a *coboundary operator*  $\partial^*: H^*(A) \rightarrow H^{*+1}(X, A)$  which raises the degree. So in (A3) and (A4) we have to reverse the direction of all arrows. (A1), (A5), (A6) and (A7) stay the same.

**K-Theory** To build a cohomology theory out of  $K$  we restrict ourself for now to compact Hausdorff spaces  $X$ . We write  $K(X) := K(\text{Vect}(X))$  and use the following notation:  $\text{Vect } X \ni E \mapsto [E] \in K(X)$  for the projection onto  $K(X)$ . For  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  we take the pullback of vector bundles  $f^*: K(Y) \rightarrow K(X) =: K^0(X)$ . As in **Theorem 85 (Properties of the Grothendieck Group)**,  $K(X)$  carries a ring structure given by the direct sum  $\oplus$  and the tensor product  $\otimes$  of vector bundles.

**86. Definition: “Reduced K-Group”**

Given a compact topological space  $X$  with marked point  $\infty$  we denote the injection  $\infty \rightarrow X$  by  $\infty$  as well. Then the *reduced K-group* is

$$\tilde{K}(X, \infty) := \ker \infty^* \subset K(X) \tag{86.1}$$

If the basepoint is not relevant we may write  $\tilde{K}(X)$ .

**87. Definition: “First K-Cohomology Group”**

For a pair  $(X, A)$  with  $A \subset X$  closed we set  $X/A$  as the space constructed from  $X$  by identifying all points of  $A$ . Then

$$K^0(X, A) := \tilde{K}(X/A, [A]) \tag{87.1}$$

In the case  $A = \emptyset$  we have to make an extra effort because  $[A]$  does not give a basepoint for  $X/A$ . Thus we choose some new  $\infty \notin X$  and define  $(X/\emptyset) := (X \cup \{\infty\})$ . Then

$$K^0(X) := \tilde{K}(X \cup \{\infty\}, \{\infty\}) = \ker \infty^* = \{ [E] - [F] \mid \text{rk } E|_{\infty} = \text{rk } F|_{\infty} \} = K(X) \tag{87.2}$$

After defining a suitable cohomology class  $K^1$  there is an exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} K^0(X, A) & \xrightarrow{j^*} & K^0(X) & \xrightarrow{i^*} & K^0(A) \\ \partial^* \uparrow & & \text{Bott periodicity} & & \downarrow \partial^* \\ K^1(A) & \xleftarrow{i^*} & K^1(X) & \xleftarrow{j^*} & K^1(X, A) \end{array} \tag{II-48}$$

A corresponding K-homology is possible but rather complicated. Furthermore there is a *KK-theory* by KASPAROV.

**88. Definition: “K-Theory with Compact Support”**

If  $X$  is a locally compact Hausdorff space, we define

$$K(X) := \tilde{K}(\dot{X}, \{\infty\}) \tag{88.1}$$

where  $\dot{X} := X \sqcup \{\infty\}$  is the *one-point (ALEXANDROV) compactification* of  $X$  with infinite point  $\infty$ . A neighbourhood basis of  $\infty$  is given by

$$\mathcal{U}_\infty = \{ X \setminus K \mid K \subset X \text{ compact} \} \tag{88.2}$$

Thus if  $X$  is compact,  $\infty$  is an isolated point in  $\dot{X}$  and, like in **Definition 86 (Reduced K-Group)**, we get that the notation  $K(X)$  is compatible with **Definition 84 (GROTHENDIECK Group)** where  $S = \text{Vect}(X)$ .

For a manifold  $M$  we write

$$K_{cpt}(M) := K(T^*M) \tag{88.3}$$

**89. Lemma: Restriction Map**

For a locally compact Hausdorff space  $X$  and an open subset  $U \subset X$  we define a projection map under identification of the points  $\dot{X} \setminus U$ :

$$P: \dot{X} \rightarrow \dot{X} / \dot{X} \setminus U \simeq \dot{U} \tag{89.1}$$

Then there is an induced ring homomorphism  $P^*: K(U) \rightarrow K(X)$ .

**II.3. K-Theory and Bundle Complexes**

In the following let  $X$  be a locally compact Hausdorff space. We will now derive a construction of  $K(X)$  in terms of *bundle complexes*.

**90. Definition: “Bundle Complex”**

A finite sequence  $E_i \rightarrow X$  of continuous vector bundles together with a sequence of vector bundle morphisms  $a_i \in C(X, \mathcal{L}(E_i, E_{i+1}))$  forms a *chain complex* of vector bundles if  $\text{im } a_i \subset \text{ker } a_{i+1}$ , which we simply call a *bundle complex*.

$$(E, \alpha): 0 \longrightarrow E^0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} \dots \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n-1}} E^n \longrightarrow 0 \tag{90.1}$$

Then over each point  $x \in X$  this yields a complex of vector spaces  $(E_x, \alpha_x)$  and we define

$$\text{supp}(E, \alpha) := \{ x \in X \mid (E_x, \alpha_x) \text{ is not exact} \}. \tag{90.2}$$

So when the *homology* of the complex is

$$\mathcal{H}(E) := \ker \alpha / \text{im } \alpha, \tag{90.3}$$

the *support* is the domain where the homology is non-trivial. We are only interested in complexes with compact support and denote them by  $\mathcal{L}(X)$  and  $\mathcal{L}^n(X)$  when the length is fixed.

**91. Remark: Special Case**

In particular any *differential complex* over a manifold  $M$  gives through its principal symbols a *bundle complex* over  $T^*M$ . If  $M$  is compact and the differential complex is elliptic, it has compact support.

**92. Definition: “Homotopic Complexes”**

We say two complexes  $(E, \alpha), (F, \beta) \in \mathcal{L}(X)$  are equivalent  $(E, \alpha) \sim (F, \beta)$  iff there is a continuous homotopy  $(G, \gamma) \in \mathcal{L}(X \times [0, 1])$  such that for  $i_t: x \mapsto (x, t)$  we have

$$i_0^*(G, \gamma) = (E, \alpha) \quad i_1^*(G, \gamma) = (F, \beta) \tag{92.1}$$

Then the bundles  $E^i$  and  $F^i$  have pairwise the same rank. We set

$$\mathcal{C}(X) := \mathcal{L}(X) / \sim \tag{92.2}$$

**93. Lemma:**

Isomorphic complexes are automatically homotopic and thus represent the same class in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

**94. Remark: Representatives of Bundle Complexes**

1. Any two complexes  $(E, \alpha)$  and  $(F, \beta)$  that only differ on some compact set  $L \subset X$ , are homotopic, through  $\gamma = t\alpha + (1-t)\beta$ , because  $\gamma = \alpha = \beta$  on  $X \setminus L$ .
2. Given a complex  $(E, \alpha)$  with  $\alpha$  defined only outside the compact set  $L \subset X$  we take  $\phi \in C_c(X)$  such that  $\phi = 1$  in a neighbourhood of  $L$  and consider  $(E, \tilde{\alpha})$  with

$$\tilde{\alpha}(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \in L \text{ and} \\ (1 - \phi(x))\alpha(x), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \tag{94.1}$$

to get an element of  $\mathcal{C}(X)$ . This does not depend on the choice of  $\phi$ , because of (1).

3. Because ranks are equal for homotopic complexes, their lengths must also be equal. Thus we may write  $\mathcal{C}^n(X)$  for  $\mathcal{L}_n(X) / \sim$ . But if we now divide out the (up to homotopy) everywhere exact complexes  $\mathcal{C}_\emptyset(X)$ , we find that any element  $(E, \alpha) \in \mathcal{C}(X) / \mathcal{C}_\emptyset(X)$  can be represented as a complex of length 2:

$$(\tilde{E}, \tilde{\alpha}): 0 \longrightarrow E / \ker \alpha \longrightarrow \ker \alpha \longrightarrow 0 \tag{94.2}$$

where  $\tilde{E} = \bigoplus_{j=0}^n E^j$ ,  $\tilde{\alpha} = \bigoplus_{j=0}^n \alpha_j \in \mathcal{L}(E)$  and  $\tilde{\alpha}^2 = 0$ . That means the complexes  $(E, \alpha)$  and  $(\tilde{E}, \tilde{\alpha})$  have the same support and define the same homotopy class up to an exact complex. We also write  $(\tilde{E}^0, \tilde{E}^1, \tilde{\alpha})$  for those complexes of length 2.

**95. Lemma:**

$\mathcal{C}(X) / \mathcal{C}_\emptyset(X)$  exhibits a commutative ring structure induced by the direct sum  $\oplus$  and tensor product  $\otimes$  on  $\text{Vect}(X)$ .



**Proof (95)** Because of **Remark 94 item 3** we can restrict ourselves to complexes of length 2.

- The usual direct sum of vector bundles induces a well-defined sum on  $\mathcal{C}(X)/\mathcal{C}_\emptyset(X)$ :

$$(E, \alpha) + (F, \beta) := (E \oplus F, \alpha \oplus \beta) \quad (95.1)$$

$$0 \longrightarrow E_v^0 \oplus E_v^0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_v \oplus \beta_v} E_v^1 \oplus F_v^1 \longrightarrow 0 \quad (95.2)$$

is exact if  $v \notin \text{supp}(E, \alpha) \cup \text{supp}(F, \alpha)$ , which is compact. The neutral element is represented by  $\mathcal{C}_\emptyset(X)$ . To find an inverse for  $(E^0, E^1, \alpha)$ , choose a metric and consider the dual complex  $(E^1, E^0, \alpha^*)$ . The sum  $(E^0, E^1, \alpha) \oplus (E^1, E^0, \alpha^*)$  is homotopic to

$$0 \longrightarrow E^0 \oplus E^1 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha^* \\ \alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix}} E^0 \oplus E^1 \longrightarrow 0 \quad (95.3)$$

We cut it off outside the support:  $\tilde{\alpha} := (1 - \phi) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha^* \\ \alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  with  $\phi \in C(X, \mathbb{R})$  and  $\phi|_{\text{supp } \alpha} = 1$ . Then  $\tilde{\alpha}$  is self-adjoint and invertible outside the support of  $\alpha$ . Let  $\text{spec } \tilde{\alpha}_v = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)(v)$ ,  $k = \dim E^0 = \dim E^1$ .  $\lambda_j$  depends continuously on  $v$ , so  $\#\{\lambda_j > 0\}$  is constant and  $P_{<}, P_{>}$  are projections of constant rank. Thus with  $\tilde{E} := E^0 \oplus E^1$  we have  $(\tilde{E}, \tilde{\alpha}) = (\tilde{E}_{>}, \tilde{\alpha}_{>}) \oplus (\tilde{E}_{<}, \tilde{\alpha}_{<})$ . This is connected to the trivial complex  $(\tilde{E}_{>}, \text{id}) \oplus (\tilde{E}_{<}, -\text{id})$  by the homotopies

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{>,v}(t) := (1 - t)\tilde{\alpha}_{>,v} + t \text{id}_{E_{>}} \quad (95.4)$$

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{<,v}(t) := (1 - t)\tilde{\alpha}_{<,v} - t \text{id}_{E_{<}} \quad (95.5)$$

where  $t \in [0, 1]$ . As we are dealing with complex vector bundles,  $-\text{id}$  is homotopic to  $\text{id}$ . Thus we have shown that  $(\tilde{E}, \tilde{\alpha})$  is homotopic to the trivial complex  $(E^0 \oplus E^1, \text{id})$  and thus there are indeed inverse elements wrt  $\oplus$ .

- To construct a product we write  $(E, \alpha) * (F, \beta)$  for:

$$0 \longrightarrow E^0 \otimes F^0 \xrightarrow{\phi} E^0 \otimes F^1 \oplus E^1 \otimes F^0 \xrightarrow{\psi} E^1 \otimes F^1 \longrightarrow 0 \quad (95.6)$$

$$\phi = \text{id}_{E^0} \otimes \beta + \alpha \otimes \text{id}_{E^1}, \quad \psi = \alpha \otimes \text{id}_{F^1} - \text{id}_{E^1} \otimes \beta \quad (95.7)$$

$$\leadsto 0 \longrightarrow E^0 \otimes F^0 \oplus E^1 \otimes F^1 \xrightarrow{\phi + \psi^*} E^0 \otimes F^1 \oplus E^1 \otimes F^0 \longrightarrow 0 \quad (95.8)$$

Here  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are injective.

To see how this tensor product arises, we need to look at the following notions.

#### 96. Definition: “Super Complex”

A *super complex*  $(E, \alpha, \varepsilon)$  over  $X$  is a *bundle complex*  $(E, \alpha)$  together with a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -grading  $\varepsilon \in C(X, \mathcal{L}(E))$  such that  $\alpha$  is odd, i.e.

$$\varepsilon \alpha + \alpha \varepsilon = 0. \quad (96.1)$$

In particular  $\varepsilon$  should respect the  $\mathbb{Z}$  grading of  $E$ ,  $\varepsilon(E^i) = E^i$ , and be an involution,  $\varepsilon^2 = \text{id}_E$ .

**97. Lemma: Representation of Super Complexes**

Any super complex  $(E, \alpha, \varepsilon)$  is the sum of two super complexes  $(E_1, \alpha_1, \varepsilon_1)$  and  $(E_2, \alpha_2, \varepsilon_2)$  with  $\varepsilon_1$  and  $\varepsilon_2$  induced by the usual  $\mathbb{Z}$ -grading. That means

$$\varepsilon_i|_{E_i^j} = \begin{cases} \text{id}_{E_i^j} & j \in 2\mathbb{Z} \\ -\text{id}_{E_i^j} & j \notin 2\mathbb{Z} \end{cases} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2. \quad (97.1)$$

We will call these *alternating super bundles*.

**98. Remark: Canonical Tensor Product**

Given two alternating super bundles of length 1,  $(E_i, \alpha_i, \varepsilon_i)$  with  $i = 1, 2$ , the induced  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -grading  $\varepsilon := \varepsilon_1 \otimes \varepsilon_2$  on  $E := E_1 \otimes E_2 = (E_1^0 \oplus E_1^1) \otimes (E_2^0 \oplus E_2^1)$  decomposes this space into the parts  $E_1^0 \otimes E_2^0 \oplus E_1^1 \otimes E_2^1$  and  $E_1^0 \otimes E_2^1 \oplus E_1^1 \otimes E_2^0$ . So the resulting alternating bundle  $(E, \alpha, \varepsilon)$  takes the form

$$0 \longrightarrow E_1^0 \otimes E_2^0 \oplus E_1^1 \otimes E_2^1 \longrightarrow E_1^0 \otimes E_2^1 \oplus E_1^1 \otimes E_2^0 \longrightarrow 0, \quad (98.1)$$

where we can define

$$\alpha := \alpha_1 \otimes \text{id}_{E_2} + \varepsilon_1 \otimes \alpha_2. \quad (98.2)$$

**99. Theorem:**

Writing  $\mathcal{C}_\emptyset^n(X)$  for everywhere exact complexes in  $\mathcal{C}^n(X)$ , we have

$$K(X) \simeq \mathcal{C}(X) / \mathcal{C}_\emptyset(X) \simeq \mathcal{C}^n(X) / \mathcal{C}_\emptyset^n(X) \quad (99.1)$$

for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus we will mostly write  $K(X)$  for the latter construction too.

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**100. Remark:**

1. If  $X$  is compact, then the isomorphism from  $\mathcal{C}(X)/\mathcal{C}_\emptyset$  to  $K(X)$  has the form

$$\mathcal{C}(X) \ni E \mapsto \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^j [E_j]_{K(X)} = \chi(E) \quad (100.1)$$

2. If in **Definition 88 (K-Theory with Compact Support)**  $X$  is not compact, i.e.  $\infty$  is not isolated, any element of  $K(X)$  has the form  $[E_0] - [E_1]$  plus  $[\infty^* E_0] = [\infty^* E_1]$  i.e. there is an isomorphism  $\alpha: E_0|_{X \setminus L} \rightarrow E_1|_{X \setminus L}$  for some compact set  $L$ . Thus is it plausible that  $K(X)$  consists of such length 2 complexes  $(E_0, E_1, \alpha)$  as above.

**101. Definition: “External Product in K-Theory”**

Let  $X, Y$  be locally compact Hausdorff spaces and take  $(E, \alpha) \in \mathcal{L}_1(X)$ ,  $(F, \beta) \in \mathcal{L}_1(Y)$  now we have bundle over  $X \times Y$  as:

$$(E \boxtimes F)_{(x,y)} := E_x \otimes F_y \quad (101.1)$$

Wlog take  $n = 1$  then we have sequences

$$(E, \alpha): 0 \longrightarrow E^0 \xrightarrow{\alpha^0} E^1 \longrightarrow 0 \quad (101.2)$$

$$(F, \beta): 0 \longrightarrow E^0 \xrightarrow{\beta^0} E^1 \longrightarrow 0$$

with compact support. Now we could look at

$$0 \longrightarrow E^0 \boxtimes F^0 \xrightarrow{\alpha \boxtimes \beta} E^1 \boxtimes F^1 \longrightarrow 0 \quad (101.3)$$

$$0 \longrightarrow E_x^0 \boxtimes F_y^0 \xrightarrow{\alpha_x \boxtimes \beta_y} E_x^1 \boxtimes F_y^1 \longrightarrow 0$$

but this complex does not have compact support. Thus we must use a more complicated construction:

$$E \boxtimes F: 0 \longrightarrow E^0 \boxtimes F^0 \xrightarrow{\alpha \otimes I_{F^1} \oplus I_{E^0} \otimes \beta} E^1 \boxtimes F^0 \oplus E^0 \boxtimes F^1 \xrightarrow{I_{E^1} \otimes \beta \oplus \alpha \otimes I_{F^1}} E^1 \boxtimes F^1 \longrightarrow 0 \quad (101.4)$$

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Now  $E \boxtimes F$  has compact support.

So it is not natural to always work with complexes of a fixed length. But of course we can again reduce  $E \boxtimes F$  to length 1. Now there is a bilinear map:

$$K(X) \otimes K(Y) \xrightarrow{\boxtimes} K(X \times Y) \quad (101.5)$$

Assume next that  $X, Y = V, W \in \text{Vect}(M)$  then the diagonal map  $\Delta: M \rightarrow M \times M$  induces by the pull-back a map  $(\Delta^*)^*: K(V) \otimes K(W) \rightarrow K(V \oplus W)$ . We may take  $W = \{ (x, 0) \mid x \in M \} \simeq M$ . Then we have the map  $K(V) \otimes K(M) \rightarrow K(V)$ , i.e.  $K(V)$  is a  $K(M)$  (bi-)module.

### 102. Definition: “Homogeneous Complex”

In order to define the notion of homogeneity we need to restrict ourselves to a special kind of complexes. Let  $V \in \text{Vect}(M)$  with projection  $\pi$  and consider a complex  $(E, \alpha)$  over  $V$  s.t. there are  $\tilde{E}^i \in \text{Vect}(M)$  with

$$E^i = \pi^* \tilde{E}^i \quad (102.1)$$

Hence  $E_{\lambda v}^i = \{ \lambda v \} \times E_{\pi(v)}$  and  $\mathcal{L}(E_{\lambda v}^i, E_{\lambda v}^{i+1}) \simeq \mathcal{L}(\tilde{E}_{\pi(v)}^i, \tilde{E}_{\pi(v)}^{i+1})$  for any  $v \in V$ . We call  $(E, \alpha)$  *homogeneous* of degree  $m \in \mathbb{R}$  if

$$\alpha_{\lambda v}^i = \lambda^m \alpha_v^i \in \mathcal{L}(\tilde{E}_{\pi(v)}^i, \tilde{E}_{\pi(v)}^{i+1}) \quad (102.2)$$

We denote the set of all such complexes by  ${}^m\mathcal{C}(V)$  and write  ${}^m\mathcal{C}_\emptyset(V) := {}^m\mathcal{C}(V) \cap \mathcal{C}_\emptyset(V)$ . As mentioned before in **Remark 94 item 1 (Representatives of Bundle Complexes)**, it is sufficient to have such a complex defined outside a compact set, take e.g. the following

103. **Definition: “Sphere Bundle” and “Ball Bundle”**

Introduce now an Euclidean metric  $\|\cdot\|$  on  $V$  and define for  $R \in \mathbb{R}^+$ :

$$\begin{aligned} B_R(V) &:= \{ v \in V \mid \|v\| \leq R \} && \text{ball bundle} \\ S_R(V) &:= \partial B_R(V) && \text{sphere bundle} \end{aligned}$$

104. **Theorem:**

In addition to the isomorphisms in [Theorem 99](#) we also have

$${}^m\mathcal{C}^n(V) / {}^m\mathcal{C}_\emptyset^n(V) \simeq \mathcal{C}^n(V) / \mathcal{C}_\emptyset^n(V) \simeq K(V) \quad (104.1)$$

for  $m \geq 1$ . So we can take representatives which are homogeneous of any such degree for K-theory.

**Proof** (104) Take a complex  $(E, \alpha)$  of compact support, contained in  $S_R(V)$  for some  $R > 0$ , and consider the pullback under the map

$$h: V \times [0, 1] \ni (v, t) \mapsto \begin{cases} v & \|v\| \leq R \\ tR \frac{v}{\|v\|} + (1-t)v & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \in V, \quad (104.2)$$

$$h^*(E, \alpha) \in \mathcal{C}^n(V \times [0, 1]). \quad (104.3)$$

Then with  $h_t(v) := h(t, v)$  we get  $h_0 = \text{id}_V$  and that  $h_1$  is the projection onto  $B_R(V)$ . Thus we can conclude that  $h_0^*(E, \alpha) = (E, \alpha)$  and that  $h_1^*(E, \alpha)$  is homogeneous of degree 0. If we now use the scaling homotopy  $(v, t) \mapsto t\|v\|^m v + (1-t)v$  we get a complex which is homogeneous of degree  $m$  and still homotopic to  $(E, \alpha)$ . So these complexes only depend on their restriction to  $B_R(V)$  for  $R$  big enough.

105. **Theorem: Continuous and Smooth Vector Bundles**

Every topological vector bundle over a smooth manifold is equivalent to a smooth one. The in this way defined smooth structure is unique. Then for every continuous bundle map there is an equivalent smooth bundle map.

**Proof** (105) Let  $E^{(N)} \rightarrow M$  be a topological vector bundle, i.e. there are  $(g_{UV})_{U, V \in \mathcal{V}}$  with  $\sigma_U \circ \sigma_V^{-1} = g_{UV} \in C(U \cap V, GL(N, \mathbb{C}))$  and wlog take  $\mathcal{V}$  to be coordinate neighbourhood. Now choose smooth approximations  $g_{UV}^\infty \in C^\infty(U \cap V, GL(N, \mathbb{C}))$  such that

$$g_{UV}^\infty = \underbrace{\sigma_U^\infty \circ \sigma_U^{-1}}_{=: f_U} \circ \underbrace{\sigma_U \circ \sigma_V^{-1} \circ \sigma_V \circ (\sigma_V^\infty)^{-1}}_{=: f_V^{-1}} = f_U \circ g_{UV} \circ f_V^{-1} \quad (105.1)$$

This is an equivalent cocycle; hence defines a topological equivalent bundle. Bundle maps can be approximated similarly. Compare also [[Hir76](#), Chapter 4 Theorem 3.5].

106. **Corollary: Smooth K-Theory**

In either construction of  $K_{cpt}(M) = K(T^*M)$  in [subsection II.2 \(Some Elements of K-Theory\)](#) or [subsection II.3 \(K-Theory and Bundle Complexes\)](#) instead of starting with topological vector bundles  $\text{Vect}(T^*M)$  we may as well choose only smooth ones to get the same K-groups.

107. **Lemma: Logarithmic Law**

For  $(E_0, E_1, \alpha), (E_1, E_2, \beta) \in K(X)$  we have

$$(E_0, E_1, \alpha) \oplus (E_1, E_2, \beta) = (E_0, E_2, \alpha\beta) \quad (107.1)$$

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**Proof** (107) Add the trivial bundle  $(E_1, E_1, \text{id})$ .

108. **Definition: “Analytic Index”**

Let  $M$  be a compact smooth manifold and  $(E_0, E_1, \alpha) \in K_{cpt}(M)$ , wlog  $\alpha$  homogeneous of degree 0 and support contained in  $M \subset T^*M$ . Now choose any cut-off function  $\phi$  with compact support and  $\phi|_M = 1$ . Then take the following *pseudodifferential operator* with *symbol*  $\phi\alpha$

$$\text{Op}(\phi\alpha)u(x) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \int_{T_p^*M} e^{i\langle x, \xi \rangle} \phi\alpha(x, \xi) \hat{u}(\xi) d\xi \quad (108.1)$$

Then we define the *analytic index* as

$$\text{ind}_a: K_{cpt}(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \quad (108.2)$$

$$\text{ind}_a(E_0, E_1, \alpha) := \text{ind Op}(\phi\alpha) \quad (108.3)$$

109. **Theorem:**

The *analytic index* is well-defined and a non-trivial ring homomorphism  $K_{cpt}(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Proof** (109) We have to show that the index is independent of the choices made. Take any other choice of representing complexes  $(F^0, F^1, \beta)$ . Then by the homotopy we can identify the bundles and get homotopic symbols  $\alpha, \beta$  over the same bundles. Now their index is the same because of stability.

For complexes in  $\mathcal{C}_\emptyset$ , we get an invertible symbol, homogeneous of order 0 which defines an invertible operator in  $L^2(M, E)$ . Hence the index is 0.

From **Lemma 107 (Logarithmic Law)** we get additivity of the index:

$$\text{ind}_a(\xi_1 \oplus \xi_2) = \text{ind}_a \xi_1 + \text{ind}_a \xi_2 \quad (109.1)$$

## A. Misc

These parts need clean-up and have to be merged with the main part.

### A.1. K-Theory

Assume now that  $V \rightarrow X$  is a complex vectorbundle over a smooth manifold. Then there is a beautiful, important complex over  $V$ :

$$(\Lambda V)_v: 0 \longrightarrow \Lambda^0 V_{\pi(v)} \xrightarrow{i \mathfrak{w}(v)} \Lambda^1 V_{\pi(v)} \xrightarrow{i \mathfrak{w}(v)} \dots \xrightarrow{i \mathfrak{w}(v)} \Lambda^k V_{\pi(v)} \longrightarrow 0 \quad (\text{A-1})$$

is exact for  $v \neq 0$ . It is called the *algebraic de Rham complex*, a complex of length  $k$ , represents the element  $\lambda_v$  in  $K(V)$ .

Take a elliptic operator  $Q \in \Psi\text{DO}_l(M, E^0, E^1)$  for a closed oriented (Riemannian) manifold with  $T^*M \xrightarrow{\pi} M$ . Then the symbol gives us a complex

$$0 \longrightarrow \pi^* E^0 \xrightarrow{\hat{Q}} \pi^* E^1 \longrightarrow 0$$

where  $\hat{Q}$  is invertible on  $T^*M \setminus M$  (i.e. outside a compact set).

**Note:** Above is a complex of length 1 Put  $\pi^* E := \pi^* E^0 \oplus \pi^* E^1$  with grading  $\varepsilon|_{\pi^* E^0} = \text{id}$ ,  $\varepsilon|_{\pi^* E^1} = -\text{id}$ . So we can regard  $Q|_{\pi^* E} \rightarrow \pi^* E \sim d := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \hat{Q} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , which satisfies  $d^2 = 0$  and  $\varepsilon d + d\varepsilon = 0$ , i.e.  $d$  is *odd*. So we have a triple  $\mathcal{E} := (E, \varepsilon, d)$  where  $(E, \varepsilon)$  is a superbundle and  $d$  is an odd differential. Now consider any such triple on  $T^*M$  and put

$$\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{E}) := \ker d / \text{im } d = \ker d^+ / \text{im } d^- \oplus \ker d^- / \text{im } d^+ =: \mathcal{H}^+(\mathcal{E}) \oplus \mathcal{H}^-(\mathcal{E}) \quad (\text{A-2})$$

Now assume that  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{E}) = 0 \Rightarrow \ker d^+ = \text{im } d^-$ . So if  $d^+$  (previously  $\hat{Q}$ ) is invertible, then  $d^- = 0$ .

**Remark** If

$$\mathcal{E}_0: 0 \longrightarrow E^0 \xrightarrow{d^0} \dots \xrightarrow{d^{n-1}} E^n \longrightarrow 0$$

is any complex, then we can form again

$$E := \bigoplus_{i=0}^n E^i, d := \bigoplus_{i=0}^n d^i, \mathcal{E}|_{\bigoplus_{i \geq 0} E^{2i}} = \text{id}, \mathcal{E}|_{\bigoplus_{i \geq 0} E^{2i+1}} = \text{id} \quad (\text{A-3})$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{E} = (E, d, \varepsilon) \text{ is a differential super bundle (dsb) and } \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{E}_0) \simeq \mathcal{H}^+(\mathcal{E}) \oplus \mathcal{H}^-(\mathcal{E}) \quad (\text{A-4})$$

For  $X$  a locally compact Hausdorff space,  $dsVect_{\text{compt}}(X) =$  isomorphism classes of  $\{\mathcal{E} = (E, d, \varepsilon)\}$ .

$$\phi: \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}' \text{ homom} \Leftrightarrow \phi \in \text{Hom}(E, E'), d' \phi = \phi d, \varepsilon' \phi = \phi \varepsilon \quad (\text{A-5})$$

**Homotopy**  $\mathcal{E}_0 \sim \mathcal{E}_1$  iff there is  $(E, d, \varepsilon)$  over  $I \times X$  s.t.  $i_j^* E = E_j, j = 0, 1$ .

**Functoriality**  $X \xrightarrow{f} X' \leftarrow \mathcal{E}'$  then  $f^* \mathcal{E}' \in dsVect_{comp}(X)$  only if  $f$  is *proper*. ( $i_{t_0}$  is proper for all  $t_0$ ) E.g.  $\pi: T^* M \rightarrow M$  is not proper since  $\pi^{-1}(M) = T^* M$ .

### Operations

1.  $\mathcal{E}_1 \oplus \mathcal{E}_2 := (E_1 \oplus E_2, \varepsilon_1 \oplus \varepsilon_2, d_1 \oplus d_2) := (E, \varepsilon, d) \in dsVect_{comp}(X)$  with  $\text{supp } \mathcal{E}_1 \oplus \mathcal{E}_2 \subset \text{supp } \mathcal{E}_1 \cap \text{supp } \mathcal{E}_2$  since  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{E}_{1,x} \oplus \mathcal{E}_{2,x}) = \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{E}_{1,x}) \oplus \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{E}_{2,x})$ .
2.  $\mathcal{E}_1 \otimes \mathcal{E}_2 := (E_1 \otimes E_2, \varepsilon_1 \otimes \varepsilon_2, d_1 \otimes \text{id}_{E_2} + \varepsilon_1 \otimes d_2) := (E, \varepsilon, d)$ . Then  $d^2 = (d_1 \otimes \text{id}_{E_2} + \varepsilon_1 \otimes d_2)(d_1 \otimes \text{id}_{E_2} + \varepsilon_1 \otimes d_2) = d_1^2 \otimes \text{id}_{E_2} + \text{id}_{E_1} \otimes d_2^2 + d_1 \varepsilon_1 \otimes d_2 + \varepsilon_1 d_1 \otimes d_2 = 0$ .

#### 110. Lemma:

1. If  $\mathcal{E}_j \sim \mathcal{E}'_j, j = 1, 2$  then  $\mathcal{E}_1 \oplus \mathcal{E}_2 \sim \mathcal{E}'_1 \oplus \mathcal{E}'_2$  and  $\mathcal{E}_1 \otimes \mathcal{E}_2 \sim \mathcal{E}'_1 \otimes \mathcal{E}'_2$ .
2.  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{E}_1 \otimes \mathcal{E}_2) \simeq \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{E}_1) \otimes \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{E}_2)$  (KÜNETH formula) So  $\text{supp } \mathcal{E}_1 \otimes \mathcal{E}_2 \subset \text{supp } \mathcal{E}_1 \cup \text{supp } \mathcal{E}_2$  and

$$E_1 \otimes E_2 = (E_1^0 \otimes E_2^0 \oplus E_1^1 \otimes E_2^1) \oplus (E_1^0 \otimes E_2^1 \oplus E_1^1 \otimes E_2^0) \quad (110.1)$$

**Proof** (110) Introduce metrics  $h^{E_j}, j = 1, 2$  s.t.  $e_j = e_j^*$  and now

$$d^* = d_1^* \otimes \text{id}_{E_2} + \varepsilon_j \otimes d_2^* \quad (110.2)$$

Put

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta := d^* d + d d^* &= \Delta_1 \otimes \text{id}_{E_2} + \text{id}_{E_1} \otimes \Delta_2 + d_1^* \varepsilon_1 \otimes d_2 + \varepsilon_j d_1 \otimes d_2^* \\ &+ d_1 \varepsilon_j \otimes d_2^* + \varepsilon_1 d_1^* \otimes d_2 = \Delta_1 \otimes \text{id}_{E_2} + \text{id}_{E_1} \otimes \Delta_2 \end{aligned} \quad (110.3)$$

Recall the Hodge Theorem:  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{E}) \simeq \ker \Delta$ . So we get  $\Delta = \langle \Delta_1 x_{j_0}, x_{j_0} \rangle + \lambda_{j_0} \|x_{j_0}\|^2 = \langle (\Delta_1 + \lambda_j) x_{j_0}, x_{j_0} \rangle \Gamma \lambda_{j_0} = 0$  and  $\Delta_1 x_{j_0} = 0$ .

$\mathcal{C}(X) =$  homotopy classes of isom. classes of dsb with compact support and  $\mathcal{C}_\emptyset(X)$  are those with empty support.

#### 111. Theorem:

$\mathcal{C}(X)$  is a commutative ring,  $\mathcal{C}_\emptyset(X)$  is an ideal.

#### 112. Definition: “”

$$K(X) := \mathcal{C}(X) / \mathcal{C}_\emptyset(X) \quad (112.1)$$

is a commutative ring.

**Remark** If  $\mathcal{E}_0$  and  $\mathcal{E}_1$  are isomorphic, then they are also homotopic.

**Proof** (112) Represent them by pullbacks  $\mathcal{E}_j = f_j^* \zeta$ ,  $j = 0, 1$  and we have a homotopy  $(f_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$  s.t.  $f_j^* \zeta = \mathcal{E}_j$ . This also works for dsb.

**Remark** If  $X$  is compact, we may consider all superbundles, in particular  $0 \rightarrow E^0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0$ . Thus,  $[E^0]$  is well-defined and for any dsb  $\mathcal{E}$  we get  $[\mathcal{E}] = [E^0] - [E^1]$ .

**113. Theorem:**

Let  $\mathcal{E} = (E, \varepsilon, d)$  be as dsb with compact support. Then  $[\mathcal{E}] \ni \mathcal{E}' = (E', \varepsilon', d')$  where

1.  $\mathcal{E}'$  is smooth and there is  $E_M \rightarrow M$  smooth, s.t.  $E' = \pi^* E_M \Rightarrow E'_{(x, \lambda \xi)} \simeq E_{M, x}$  and  $d'(x, \lambda \xi) = \lambda^m d'(x, \xi)$ , for any  $m \geq 0$ .

**114. Lemma:**

If  $\mathcal{E}_1, \mathcal{E}_2$  are  $dsb_{comp}$  over  $T^*M$  and  $\text{supp } \mathcal{E}_1 \cup \text{supp } \mathcal{E}_2 \subset B_1(T^*M)$ , then if  $\mathcal{E}_1|_{B_1(T^*M)} = \mathcal{E}_2|_{B_1(T^*M)}$  we have  $[\mathcal{E}_1] = [\mathcal{E}_2]$ .

**115. Theorem:**

Every element  $a$  of  $K(T^*M)$  for  $\pi: T^*M \rightarrow M$  over a oriented Riemannian manifold, can be represented by some  $\mathcal{E} = (\pi^* E, \varepsilon^* \varepsilon_E, d)$  where  $\varepsilon_M = (E, \varepsilon_E) \in \text{Vect}_{s, \infty}(M)$  and  $d$  is a smooth differential such that

$$d(x, \xi) = |\xi|^l d(x, \frac{\xi}{|\xi|}) (1 - \phi)(|\xi|) \quad (115.1)$$

where  $l \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $\phi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+)$  with  $\phi = 1$  near 0.

**Proof** (115) By defining  $\tilde{E} := i_0^* \tilde{E} = \pi^* E_M$  via the homotopy  $i_t(v) := tv$  we have constructed the bundle.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \pi^* E_M & \longrightarrow & E_M & = & i_M^* E \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\ E & \longrightarrow & T^*M & \xrightarrow{\pi} & M \\ & & \xleftarrow{i_M} & & \end{array}$$

We find  $\mathcal{E}' = (E', \varepsilon', d') \in \text{Vect}_{s, \infty}(T^*M)$  representing  $a$ . Then

- if  $\text{supp } \mathcal{E}' = \emptyset$  then we may assume that the homology is everywhere 0. Then we can deform  $d'_t(x, \xi) = d'(x, t\xi)$ , so  $a$  is represented by  $(\pi^* E'|_M, \pi^* \varepsilon'|_M, \pi^*(d'|_M))$ . This bundle is homogeneous of degree 0.



- Otherwise set

$$d_t(x, \xi) = |\xi|^l d(x, \frac{\xi}{|\xi|}) = d_t(x, |\xi| \frac{\xi}{|\xi|}) = |\xi|^{l(1-t)} d(x, |\xi|^t \frac{\xi}{|\xi|}) (t\phi + (1-\phi))(|\xi|) \quad (115.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow d_0(x, \xi) = |\xi|^l d(x, \frac{\xi}{|\xi|}) (1-\phi)(|\xi|) \quad (115.3)$$

where we assumed wlog that  $\text{supp } \mathcal{E} \subset B_1(T^*M)$ .

## A.2. Topological Index

We look now at  $K(TM)$  by taking a metric and using the induced isomorphism. Then  $K(T_{pt}) = \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\begin{array}{c} K(T_{pt}) \simeq \mathbb{Z} \\ \downarrow \phi_{\mathbb{C}^n}(\eta) = \pi_{pt}^* \wedge \mathbb{C}^N \otimes \pi_{pt}^* \eta \\ K(\mathbb{C}^N) \\ \downarrow \pi_{pt} \\ T_{pt} \end{array}$$

where  $\phi$  is the Thom isomorphism.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_X^* \wedge E & \longrightarrow & E \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi_X \\ \wedge E & \longrightarrow & X \end{array}$$

$$(\pi_X^* \wedge E)_e = (\pi_X^* \wedge^{ev} E)_e \oplus (\pi_X^* \wedge^{odd} E)_e \quad (A-6)$$

Now the Clifford multiplication  $c^{\wedge E}(e)$  gives a map between these two parts.

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**Exercise** Different metrics give homotopic complexes here.

We regard  $\mathbb{C}^N$  as  $T\mathbb{R}^N$ . Then embed (Whitney)  $M$  into  $\mathbb{R}^N$  via  $i_1$  and then  $Ti_1: TM \rightarrow T\mathbb{R}^N$ . (Due to Grothendieck) *i shriek*. But then  $K(i_1): K(\mathbb{C}^N) \rightarrow K(TM)$  goes in the wrong direction because  $K$  is contravariant.

**Simplest Case** Set  $M := \mathbb{R}^m$  which can be imbedded into any  $\mathbb{R}^{m+k}$ . Now  $T\mathbb{R}^m = \mathbb{R}^m \oplus \mathbb{R}^m = \mathbb{C}^m$  and  $T\mathbb{R}^{m+k} = \mathbb{R}^{m+k} \oplus \mathbb{R}^{m+k} = \mathbb{R}^m \oplus \mathbb{R}^m \oplus \mathbb{R}^k \oplus \mathbb{R}^k = T\mathbb{R}^m \oplus \mathbb{C}^k =: E^k \rightarrow T\mathbb{R}^m$ . So the tangent bundle of the manifold we embed in, is a complex vector bundle over the original tangent bundle. Then

$$K(T\mathbb{R}^{m+k}) = K(E^k) \xleftarrow{\phi_{E^k}} K(T\mathbb{R}^m) \quad (A-7)$$

Then we can define an index as

$$\text{ind}_l := \phi_{\mathbb{C}^{m+k}}^{-1} \phi_{\mathbb{C}^k} \tag{A-8}$$

**116. Lemma: Tangent bundles of vector bundles**

Let  $E \rightarrow M$  be any vector bundle, then

$$TE \simeq TM \oplus E \oplus E \tag{116.1}$$

**Proof (116)** Look at  $TM \oplus E \oplus E$  as a trivial bundle over  $E$  so we could define an isomorphism  $TE \simeq (\pi^E)^*(TM \oplus E)$ .

Exercise!

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**Consider now the general case** Take again  $M \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m+k}$ . We can split  $T\mathbb{R}^{m+k}|_M = TM \oplus N$  where  $N$  is the normal bundle, defined by a certain metric.

As  $M$  is closed, there is an open tubular neighbourhood  $T_\epsilon M \subset \mathbb{R}^{m+k}$  around  $M$ . But  $T_\epsilon M \simeq B_\epsilon(N) \simeq N$ . Thus  $TN$  can be viewed as an open subset of  $T\mathbb{R}^{m+k}$ .

**117. Lemma:**

$$K(X) = \ker(i_{pt}^* : K(\dot{X}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z})$$

**Proof (117)** See [Seg68].

$$K(\mathbb{C}^{m+k}) \xrightarrow{\phi_{\mathbb{C}^N}^{-1}} K(T_{pt}) \quad \text{So together with the restriction map } i_* : K(U) \rightarrow K(X) \text{ we get } K(TM) \xrightarrow{\phi_E} K(E) \xrightarrow{i_*} K(T\mathbb{R}^{m+k}) \xrightarrow{\phi^{-1}(\mathbb{R}^{m+k})}$$

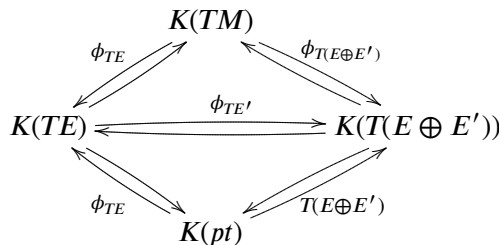
**118. Lemma:**

Let  $M^m \hookrightarrow N^n$  be a smooth embedding. This defines  $i_! : K(TM) \rightarrow K(TN)$  such that  $(ji)_! = j_! i_!$ .

**119. Lemma:**

Given two embeddings  $i^{(l)} : M \rightarrow E^{(l)} := \mathbb{R}^{m+k^{(l)}}$  then the topological index functions coincide.

**Proof (119)** Consider  $i \oplus i' : M \rightarrow E \oplus E'$  and the family  $i \oplus si'$ ,  $s \in [0, 1]$ . This gives the following diagramm:



120. **Lemma: Properties**

1.  $\text{ind}_t|_{K(T_{pt})} = \text{id}_Z$
2.  $\text{ind}_t$  commutes with  $i_1$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 K(TM) & \xrightarrow{i_1} & K(TN) \\
 & \searrow \text{ind}_t^M & \swarrow \text{ind}_t^N \\
 & & Z
 \end{array}$$

Now every homomorphism with these properties actually coincides with the topological index. Proving the second property for the analytical index is really hard.

**A.3. Another Look at  $\psi$ dos**

Local theory in open  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ .

$$\text{Sym}^m(U) = \left\{ p(x, \xi): U \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \sup_{\substack{x \in K \\ K \subset U \text{ compact}}} |D_\xi^\alpha D_x^\beta p(x, \xi)| \leq C_{K, \alpha, \beta} \langle \xi \rangle^{m-|\alpha|} \right\} \quad (\text{A-9})$$

Define an operator

$$p(x, D)u(x) := \text{Op}(p)u(x) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{i\langle x, \xi \rangle} p(x, \xi) \hat{u}(\xi) \mathfrak{d}\xi, \quad \mathfrak{d}\xi := (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}} d\xi \quad (\text{A-10})$$

which is linear  $\mathcal{D}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(U)$

121. **Definition: ‘‘Pseudodifferential Operator’’**

We define a space of operators  $\Psi\text{DO}^m(U)$  as follows

1.  $P: \mathcal{D}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(U)$  is continuous
2. for  $f \in \mathcal{D}(U)$  the *commutator*

$$p_f(x, \xi) := e^{-i\langle x, \xi \rangle} P(fe^{i\langle \cdot, \xi \rangle}) \in \mathcal{S}^m(U) \quad (121.1)$$

for all  $(x, \xi) \in U \times \mathbb{R}^m$ .

3. We define  $\Psi\text{CDO}^m(U)$  as the subset of  $P \in \Psi\text{DO}^m(U)$  with the property that  $p_f \in \text{Sym}_{\text{cl}}^m(U)$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{D}(U)$  and

$$q \in \text{Sym}_{\text{cl}}^m(U) \Leftrightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-m} q(x, t\xi) =: \hat{q}(x, \xi) \neq 0 \quad (121.2)$$

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We then define  $\hat{p}(x, \xi) := \hat{p}_f(x, \xi)$  for  $f \in \mathcal{D}(U)$ ,  $f(x) = 1$ . This is well-defined.

122. **Theorem:** SEELEY, HÖRMANDER, KOHN-NIRENBERG

The spaces  $\Psi\text{DO}^m(U)$  and  $\Psi\text{CDO}^m(U)$  are invariant under diffeomorphisms. In particular

$$\hat{p}(x, \xi) = \hat{p}(\psi(x), d\psi(x)(\xi)) \quad (122.1)$$

for  $p \in \Psi\text{CDO}(U)$  and  $\psi \in \text{Diff}(U)$ . So  $\hat{p}$  is invariantly defined on  $T^*U$ .

Now we have fairly obvious extensions to compact manifolds  $M^m$  and vector bundles  $E, F \rightarrow M$ , to get.

$$\Psi\text{CDO}^m(M, E, F) \quad (\text{A-11})$$

In particular  $\hat{p}$  is now invariantly defined on  $T^*M \setminus M$  and  $\hat{p}(x, \xi) \in \mathcal{L}(\pi^*E_{(x,\xi)}, \pi^*F_{(x,\xi)})$  and invertible iff  $P$  is elliptic.

123. **Theorem:**

Let  $P, Q \in \Psi\text{CDO}(M, E, F)$  then

1.  $\widehat{PQ} = \widehat{P}\widehat{Q}$
2. if there are Hermitian metrics  $h^E, h^F$  and a Riemannian metric  $g^{TM}$  then  $\widehat{P^*} = \widehat{P}^*$ .
3. For any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  there is an exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow \Psi\text{CDO}^{m-1}(M, E, F) \hookrightarrow \Psi\text{CDO}^m(M, E, F) \xrightarrow{\hat{\cdot}} \text{Sym}^m(M, E, F) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (123.1)$$

$P \in \Psi\text{CDO}(M, E)$  is bounded in  $H^s$  iff  $l \leq s$ , compact if  $l < s$  and trace class if  $l < s - m$ .

**A.4. The Topological Index**

We need to find another natural homomorphism  $K(T^*M) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  which equals  $\text{ind}_a$ .

124. **Lemma:**

$$K(X) = \tilde{K}(X) = \ker(i_{pt}^*: K(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} = K(pt))$$

**Drawback** For a non-compact manifold  $N$ ,  $\dot{N}$  is not a manifold in general. Note that

$$(T^*M)^\cdot = \overline{B_1(T^*M)} / S_1(T^*M) \quad (\text{A-12})$$

**Note**  $T^*M$  can be replaced by any real (smooth) vector bundle over  $M$ . Let  $V, W$  be vector bundles over  $M$ . Then we can form the exterior tensor product  $V \boxtimes W \rightarrow M \times N$  with fibre  $(V \boxtimes W)_{(x,y)} = V_x \otimes W_y$ .

## Seminar Tasks

- Proof BOTT's periodicity theorem for complex K-theory and show the Thom isomorphism.
- Descriptions of  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector bundles and notion of equivalence
  - as fibre bundles, using cocycles and their equivalence [STEENROD]
  - as continuous maps  $f: X \rightarrow \text{Gr}^n(\mathbb{C}^\infty)$  into the Grassmannian, using homotopy equivalence [MILNOR?]
  - as idempotents in finitely generated projective modules over  $C^{(\infty)}(X)$ , using conjugation [SERRE-SWAN-Theorem, CONNES]

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