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Some notable results on approximate pseudospectrum

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Abstract. The concept of approximate pseudospectrum is studied in this note. We first prove that any open ball of an element in the approximate spectrum is a subset of approximate pseudospectrum. We also have derived some results related to mapping theorem of approximate pseudospectrum. Examples are given to throw light on the established outcomes.

1. Introduction

Let B(X) be the space of all bounded linear operators acting on a complex Banach space X. The identity operator defined on X is denoted by I. The spectrum of an element $T \in B(X)$ is defined as

 $\sigma(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda I \text{ is not invertible in } B(X)\}.$

The complement of $\sigma(T)$ is known as the resolvent of T which is denoted as $\rho(T)$. The spectrum of an operator reveals the nature of the underlying operator. The spectrum of the complex normal matrices ensures the diagonalization of that matrix. Similarly, in some particular kind of normal operators the corresponding spectrum set characterizes its nature. However, the spectrum of a not normal matrices and operators might not be very informative. As a result, the concept of pseudospectrum has been introduced.

Let $T \in B(X)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. The ε -pseudospectrum of T is denoted by $\Lambda_{\varepsilon}(T)$ and is defined as

$$\Lambda_{\varepsilon}(T) = \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \| (T - \lambda I)^{-1} \| \ge \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right\}$$

by convention $||(T - \lambda I)^{-1}|| = +\infty$ for all $\lambda \in \sigma(T)$. A novel technique for learning about matrices and linear operators is the theory of the pseudospectrum. Pseudospectrum offers the analytical and graphical methods to study the problems that involve matrices and operators which are non normal. Pseudospectrum has nonetheless proven to be a useful tool for studying them. For more information on the concept of pseudo spectra and how they are used in engineering and research, see the book [11].

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J. M. Varah [12] first proposed the concept of pseudospectrum in 1967. The present interpretation of pseudospectrum was introduced in 1986 by J. H. Wilkinson [10], who defined it as any arbitrary matrix norm induced by a vector norm. L. N. Trefethen pioneered the research of pseudospectrum for matrices and operators during the 1990s (see [10],[9] and [6]). He also discussed approximate eigenvalues and pseudospectrum and applied this idea to intriguing problems in mathematical physics.

The main aim of this article is to investigate the mapping theorem of approximate pseudospectrum sets. The articles [3] and [4] serve as the impetus for discussing the mapping theorem. For $\varepsilon > 0$, consider the following set:

$$\sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T) = \sigma_{ap}(T) \cup \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(T-\lambda)x\| < \varepsilon \right\}.$$
(1)

where $\sigma_{ap}(T) = \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(T-\lambda)x\| = 0 \right\}.$

The above set was introduced by Nevanlinna, Olavi in the book [5] (see Definition 2.2.5). In [5], the author studies the relationship between the sets $\sigma_{ap}(T)$ and $\sigma_{ap,\epsilon}(T)$ and their continuity property. In [1], A. Ammar, A. Jeribi, and K. Mahfoudhi investigated the concept of the set $\sigma_{ap,\epsilon}(T)$ of an unbounded, closed, and densely defined operator *T*. The articles [1] and [14] contain various other important and interesting properties of $\sigma_{ap,\epsilon}(T)$.

In this article, we focus on the ε -approximate pseudospectrum set which is defined in [14] by M. P. H. Wolff. The definition is as follows:

Definition 1.1. [*Page 4 in* [14]] Let $T \in B(X)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. The ε -approximate pseudospectrum is defined by

$$\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T) = \sigma_{ap}(T) \cup \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(T-\lambda)x\| \le \varepsilon \right\}$$

In [14], M. P. H. Wolff utilized ε -approximate pseudospectrum sets for the discrete approximation of the spectrum of an operator. In the same paper, it is demonstrated that a sequence of ε -approximate pseudospectrum sets provides a discrete approximation to the spectrum from below. In [13], the authors discuss various necessary and sufficient conditions for the continuity nature of the ε -approximate pseudospectrum set.

The organization of this article is as follows: Basic concepts, ideas, and known results are provided in section 2. These are crucial to achieve our main objective. Section 3 deals with the main results of this manuscript. Here we mainly focus on the mapping theorem of the approximate pseudospectrum. To provide more insights into the established results, we have included illustrations.

2. Basic definitions and notions

This section deals with some basic definitions, notions, and existing results that are required to prove our main results. We start with a theorem, which is the equivalent characterization of the set defined in (1).

Theorem 2.1 (Theorem 3.3 in [1]). Let $T \in B(X)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then, $\lambda \in \sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$ if and only if there exists $D \in B(X)$ such that $||D|| < \varepsilon$ such that $\lambda \in \sigma_{ap}(T + D)$.

Next, we list out a few fundamental properties of the approximate pseudospectrum.

Proposition 2.2 (Proposition 2.6 in [1]). *If* $T \in B(X)$ *and* $\varepsilon > 0$ *, then the following holds*

1. $\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$ is a non empty compact subset of \mathbb{C} .

2.
$$\sigma_{ap}(T) = \bigcap_{\varepsilon > 0} \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T).$$

- 3. If $\varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon_2$ then $\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_1}(T) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_2}(T)$.
- 4. If $\lambda \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$ then $|\lambda| \le \varepsilon + ||T||$.

In order to get some interesting properties of approximate pseudospectrum one needs to know about the limit inferior and superior, limits of sequence of sets.

Definition 2.3 (see page 2 in [8]). Let $(K_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of subsets of a metric space X. We say that the subset

 $\limsup_{n \to \infty} K_n := \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \forall \varepsilon > 0, \text{ there exists an infinite subset } J \subseteq \mathbb{N} \text{ such that}$

$$B(\lambda, \varepsilon) \cap K_n \neq \emptyset, \ \forall n \in J\}$$

is the upper limit of the sequence K_n and that the subset

 $\liminf K_n := \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \text{ for every } \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } B(\lambda, \varepsilon) \cap K_n \neq \emptyset , \forall n \ge N \}$

is its lower limit. A subset K is said to be the limits or the set limit of the sequence K_n if

$$K = \limsup_{n \to \infty} K_n = \liminf_{n \to \infty} K_n =: \lim_{n \to \infty} K_n$$

The following theorem is obtained in [1].

Theorem 2.4. Let $T \in B(X)$ and $\varepsilon_0 > 0$. If $\lim_{n \to \infty} \varepsilon_n = \varepsilon_0$, then $\liminf_{n \to \infty} \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_n}(T) = \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_0}(T)$ and if $\lim_{n \to \infty} \varepsilon_n = 0$, then $\lim_{n \to \infty} \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_n}(T) = \sigma_{ap}(T)$

The primary goal of this note is to investigate the mapping theorem of approximate pseudospectrum. We define f(T) here for any holomorphic function f on an open subset of the complex plane because the spectral mapping theorem uses the concept of functional calculus of the underlying operator T.

Definition 2.5 (Definition 10.26 in [7]). *Let* $T \in B(X)$, Ω *be an open subset of* \mathbb{C} *and* $H(\Omega)$ *is the algebra of all complex holomorphic functions in* Ω *. Then*

$$f(T) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C f(\lambda) (T - \lambda)^{-1} d\lambda.$$

where *C* is any contour that surrounds $\sigma(T)$ in Ω .

We apply the inverse mapping theorem in one of our spectral mapping theorems. The definition of *Fréchet* derivative, which is used in the inverse mapping theorem, is as follows:

Definition 2.6 (Definition 10.34 in [7]). *Let* X *and* Y *be two Banach space and* Ω *be an open subset of* X*,* F *maps* Ω *into* Y*, and* $a \in \Omega$ *. If there exists* $G \in B(X, Y)$ *such that*

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\|F(a+x) - F(a) - Gx\|}{\|x\|} = 0,$$

then G is called the Fréchet derivative of F at a. We use the notation $(DF)_a$ for Fréchet derivative of F at a.

Note 2.7. If $(DF)_a$ exists for every $a \in \Omega$, and if $a \mapsto (DF)_a$ is a continuous mapping of Ω into B(X, Y), then F is said to be continuously differentiable in Ω .

Theorem 2.8 (Theorem 10.36 in [7]). Suppose

- 1. W is an open subset of a Banach space X.
- 2. $F: W \rightarrow X$ is continuously differentiable.
- 3. For every $a \in W$, $(DF)_a$ is an invertible member of B(X)

then there exists a neighbourhood U of a such that

- 1. F is one-to-one on U.
- 2. F(U) = V is an open subset of X.
- 3. $F^{-1}: V \to U$ is continuously differentiable.

Next, we state the spectral mapping theorem of approximate spectrum.

Theorem 2.9 (Theorem 1.2 in [3]). If f is a complex valued function which is holomorphic on an open set containing the spectrum of the linear operator $T \in B(X)$ then, $\sigma_{ap}(f(T)) = f(\sigma_{ap}(T))$

Main results

The mapping theorem of approximate pseudospectrum is the main topic of this section. We start with the following Theorem, in which we show that, every point in the approximate spectrum is an interior point of the approximate pseudospectrum.

Proposition 2.10. Let $T \in B(X)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then for every $\lambda \in \sigma_{ap}(T)$, $B(\lambda, \varepsilon) \subseteq \sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$.

Proof. Let $\mu \in B(\lambda, \varepsilon)$ where $\lambda \in \sigma_{ap}(T)$. Consider the operator $S = (\mu - \lambda)I$. Clearly $||S|| < \varepsilon$ and $T + S - \mu = T - \lambda$. By using Theorem 2.1, we have $\mu \in \sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$.

The following example illustrates that the spectral mapping theorem does not hold in the form stated in Theorem 2.9.

Example 2.11. Consider the Hilbert space $\ell^2(\mathbb{N})$. Define,

$$T: \ell^2(\mathbb{N}) \to \ell^2(\mathbb{N})$$
 by $T(e_{2i+1}) = e_{2i+1}$ and $T(e_{2i}) = -e_{2i}$.

We note that, $\{1, -1\} \in \sigma_{ap}(T) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$. By Proposition 2.10, $B(1, \varepsilon) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$ and $B(-1, \varepsilon) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$. Let \mathcal{D} be an open subset of \mathbb{C} such that \mathcal{D} contains $\sigma(T)$. Now, consider the function

$$f: \mathcal{D} \to \mathbb{C}$$
 such that $f(z) = z^2$

Clearly f is analytic, $f(T) = T^2$ and $T^2 = I$. For any $\varepsilon > 0$, we have

$$\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T)) = \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T^2) = \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(I) = B(1,\varepsilon)$$

and

$$f\left(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}\right)(T) \supseteq f\left(B(1,\varepsilon) \cup B(-1,\varepsilon)\right) = \left\{z^2 \in \mathbb{C} : z \in B(1,\varepsilon) \cup B(-1,\varepsilon)\right\} \supset \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T)).$$

Hence $f(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)) \neq \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}f(T)$.

Theorem 2.12. Let $T \in B(X)$. For $\varepsilon > 0$, let Ω be a bounded open subset of \mathbb{C} containing $\Lambda_{\varepsilon}(T)$ and f be an analytic function on Ω . Denote by

$$\phi(\varepsilon) \coloneqq \sup_{\lambda \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)} \left\{ \inf_{\|x\|=1} \| (f(T) - f(\lambda))x\| \right\}. \text{ If the map } E_1 : \sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_{ap}(T) \to \mathbb{R} \text{ defined by } E_1(\lambda) = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \| (f(T) - f(\lambda))x\| \right\}.$$

 $f(\lambda))x\|$ is continuous, then $\phi(\varepsilon)$ is well defined, $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \phi(\varepsilon) = 0$ and $f(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\phi(\varepsilon)}f(T)$.

Proof. Define $g : \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{R}$ *by*

$$g(\lambda) = \begin{cases} \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(T) - f(\lambda))x\| \text{ for } \lambda \notin \sigma_{ap}(T). \\ 0 \text{ for } \lambda \in \sigma_{ap}(T). \end{cases}$$

We first show that g is continuous. Let $\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ and there is a sequence $\{\lambda_n\}$ in \mathbb{C} such that $\lambda_n \to \lambda_0$. Assume that $\lambda_0 \notin \sigma(T)$. Then, by spectral mapping theorem, $f(\lambda_0) \notin \sigma(f(T))$, and hence $[f(\lambda_0) - f(T)]^{-1}$ exists. Further,

$$\frac{1}{\left\| \left[f(\lambda_0) - f(T) \right]^{-1} \right\|} = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_0))x \right\|$$

Since invertible operators forms an open set $[f(\lambda_n) - f(T)]^{-1}$ exists for infinitely many *n* and

$$\frac{1}{\left\|\left[f(\lambda_n) - f(T)\right]^{-1}\right\|} = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(T) - f(\lambda_n))x\|.$$

The map $T \mapsto T^{-1}$ is continuous, so $g(\lambda_n) \to g(\lambda_0)$. Next, assume that $\lambda_0 \in \sigma_{ap}(T)$ then $g(\lambda_0) = 0$. By Theorem 2.9, $f(\lambda_0) \in \sigma_{ap}(f(T))$. Consider $\delta > 0$. For every $x \in X$ with ||x|| = 1,

$$(f(T) - f(\lambda_n))x \to (f(T) - f(\lambda_0))x$$

For $\frac{\delta}{2}$, there exists $y \in H$ with ||y|| = 1 such that

$$\left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_0)y) \right\| < \frac{\delta}{2}$$

For $\frac{\delta}{2}$, there exists N > 0 such that

$$\left\| \left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_n))y \right\| - \left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_0)y \right\| \right\| < \frac{\delta}{2}$$

for all $n \ge N$. For any n > N,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_n))y \right\| &= \left\| \left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_n))y \right\| - \left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_0)y \right\| + \left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_0)y \right\| \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| \left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_n))y \right\| - \left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_0)y \right\| \right\| + \left\| (f(T) - f(\lambda_0)y \right\| \\ &< \frac{\delta}{2} + \frac{\delta}{2} \\ &< \delta. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(T) - f(\lambda_n))x\| \to 0$. Consequently, $g(\lambda_n) \to 0$. Suppose, $\lambda_0 \in \sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_{ap}(T)$ then by our assumption, the map E_1 is continuous we have $g(\lambda_n) \to g(\lambda_0)$. Thus g is continuous.

For $\varepsilon > 0$, $\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$ is compact, and so $\phi(\varepsilon) = \sup\{g(\lambda) : \lambda \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)\}$ exists. Thus $\phi(\varepsilon)$ is well defined. We show that $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \phi(\varepsilon) = 0$. Let $\varepsilon_n > 0$ be a sequence converging to 0. By compactness of $\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_n}(T)$ there exists

 $\lambda_n \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_n}(T)$ such that $g(\lambda_n) = \phi(\varepsilon_n)$. Since $\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_1}(T)$ is compact, there exists a subsequence λ_{n_k} of λ_n such that $\lambda_{n_k} \to \lambda$. By Definition 2.3 and Theorem 2.4, one can see that $\lambda \in \sigma_{ap}(T)$

Because, g is continuous, $g(\lambda_{n_k}) \to 0$. Since $\phi(\varepsilon_n)$ is monotonically increasing, we have $\phi(\varepsilon_n) \to 0$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\lambda \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$. Then $g(\lambda) \le \phi(\varepsilon)$. Hence

 $\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(T) - f(\lambda))x\| \le \phi(\varepsilon).$

This means $f(\lambda) \in \Sigma_{ap,\phi(\varepsilon)}(f(T))$. Thus

$$f(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\phi(\varepsilon)}f(T).$$

Theorem 2.13. Let $T \in B(X)$. For $\varepsilon > 0$, let Ω be a bounded open subset of \mathbb{C} containing $\Lambda_{\varepsilon}(T)$ and f be an analytic function on Ω . Suppose there exists $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ such that $\sum_{ap,\varepsilon_0} (f(T)) \subseteq f(\Omega)$. For $0 < \varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0$, define

$$\psi(\varepsilon) = \sup_{\mu \in f^{-1}(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T)))} \left\{ \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(T-\mu)x\| \right\}.$$

If the map $E_2 : \sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_{ap}(T) \to \mathbb{R}$ defined by $E_2(\lambda) = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(T-\lambda)x\|$ is continuous, then $\psi(\varepsilon)$ is well defined, $\lim_{\alpha \to 0} \psi(\varepsilon) = 0$ and $\sum_{ap,\varepsilon} (f(T)) \subseteq f(\sum_{ap,\psi(\varepsilon)} (T)).$

Proof. Define $h : \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{R}$ *by*

$$h(\lambda) = \begin{cases} \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(T-\lambda)x\| \text{ for } \lambda \notin \sigma_{ap}(T) \\ 0 \text{ for } \lambda \in \sigma_{ap}(T). \end{cases}$$

We prove that h is continuous. Let $\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ and there is a sequence $\{\lambda_n\}$ such that $\lambda_n \to \lambda_0$. If $\lambda_0 \notin \sigma(T)$ then $(\lambda_0 - T)^{-1}$ exists. and

$$\frac{1}{\left\| (\lambda_0 - T)^{-1} \right\|} = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \| (T - \lambda_0) x \|$$

Since invertible operators form an open set, $(\lambda_n - T))^{-1}$ exists for infinitely many n and

$$\frac{1}{\|[\lambda_n - T]^{-1}\|} = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(T - \lambda_n)x\|.$$

The map $T \mapsto T^{-1}$ is continuous, so $h(\lambda_n) \to h(\lambda_0)$. Next, assume that $\lambda_0 \in \sigma(T)$ then $h(\lambda_0) = 0$. Consider $\delta > 0$. For every $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1,

$$(T-\lambda_n)x \to (T-\lambda_0)x.$$

For $\frac{\delta}{2}$, there exists $y \in H$ with ||y|| = 1 such that

$$\left\| (T-\lambda_0)y \right\| < \frac{\delta}{2}.$$

For $\frac{\delta}{2}$, there exists N > 0 such that

$$\left\|\left\|(T-\lambda_n)y\right\|-\left\|(T-\lambda_0)y\right\|\right\|<\frac{\delta}{2}$$

for all $n \ge N$. For any n > N,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| (T - \lambda_n) y \right\| &= \left\| \left\| (T - \lambda_n) y \right\| - \left\| (T - \lambda_0) y \right\| + \left\| (T - \lambda_0) y \right\| \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| \left\| (T - \lambda_n) y \right\| - \left\| (T - \lambda_0) y \right\| \right\| + \left\| (T - \lambda_0) y \right\| \\ &< \frac{\delta}{2} + \frac{\delta}{2} \\ &< \delta. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(T - \lambda_n)x\| \to 0$. Thus $h(\lambda_n) \to 0$. Suppose, $\lambda_0 \in \sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_{ap}(T)$. Since, the map E_2 is continuous and so for any $\lambda_0 \in \sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_{ap}(T)$, we have $h(\lambda_n) \to h(\lambda_0)$. Thus h is continuous. Since f is injective and Ω is bounded, $f^{-1}(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T)))$ is closed and bounded for all $0 \le \varepsilon \le \varepsilon_0$. Hence $\psi(\varepsilon)$ is well defined.

We show that $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \psi(\varepsilon) = 0$. Let $\varepsilon_n > 0$ be a sequence converging to 0. By compactness of $f^{-1}(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_n}(f(T)))$ there exists $\lambda_n \in f^{-1}(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_n}(f(T)))$ such that $h(\lambda_n) = \psi(\varepsilon_n)$. Since $f^{-1}(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_0}(f(T)))$ is compact, there exists a subsequence λ_{n_k} of λ_n such that $\lambda_{n_k} \to \lambda$. Since $\lambda_{n_k} \in f^{-1}(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_n}(f(T)))$ gives us $f(\lambda_{n_k}) \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_{n_k}}(f(T))$. By the Definition 2.3 and by Theorem 2.4, one can see that $f(\lambda) \in \sigma_{ap}(f(T))$. Since f is injective, $\lambda \in \sigma_{ap}(T)$. Since h is continuous $h(\lambda_{n_k}) \to 0$. This gives $\psi(\varepsilon_{n_k}) \to 0$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\mu \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T)) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_0}(f(T)) \subseteq f(\Omega)$. Consider $\lambda \in \Omega$ such that $\mu = f(\lambda)$. Then $\lambda \in f^{-1}(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T)))$ and $h(\lambda) \leq \psi(\varepsilon)$. Hence

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1}\|(T-\lambda)x\|\leq \phi(\varepsilon).$$

This means $\lambda \in \Sigma_{ap,\psi(\varepsilon)}(T)$. It follows that, $\mu = f(\lambda) \in f(\Sigma_{ap,\psi(\varepsilon)}(T))$. Thus

$$\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T)) \subseteq f(\Sigma_{ap,\psi(\varepsilon)}(T)).$$

Remark 2.14. Under the assumption in Theorem 2.12 and Theorem 2.13, we have the following conclusions,

$$f(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\phi(\varepsilon)}f(T) \subseteq f(\Sigma_{ap,\psi(\phi(\varepsilon))}(T)).$$

and

$$\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T)) \subseteq f(\Sigma_{ap,\psi(\varepsilon)}(T)) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\phi(\psi(\varepsilon))}(f(T)).$$

Remark 2.15. For any $T \in B(X)$ and an analytic function f which satisfies the hypothesis of Theorem2.12 and Theorem 2.13, we have $\lim_{f^{-1}\to 0} \phi(\varepsilon) = 0$, $\lim_{f^{-1}\to 0} \psi(\varepsilon) = 0$, $\sigma_{ap}(T) = \bigcap_{\varepsilon>0} \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$ and ϕ, ψ are monotonically increasing functions. Moreover, Theorem 2.9 can be deduced from Theorem 2.13.

The example that follows is constructed to demonstrate that there are operators and analytical functions that adhere to the presumptions made by the theorem that was proven above. In addition, we determine $\phi(\varepsilon)$ and $\psi(\varepsilon)$ in this situation.

Example 2.16. Consider the Banach space $\ell^2(\mathbb{N})$. Let

$$S: \ell^2(\mathbb{N}) \to \ell^2(\mathbb{N})$$
 by $S(e_i) = e_{i+1} \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{N}.$

The following holds for S:

$$\sigma(S) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : |\lambda| \le 1\}, \|S\| = 1, \|Sx\| = \|x\|$$

and

$$\sigma_{ap}(S) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : |\lambda| = 1\}.$$

Moreover, for any $\lambda \in \sigma(S)$ *and for any* $x \in \ell^2(\mathbb{N})$ *with* ||x|| = 1*, it is easy to observe that,*

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S-\lambda)x\| \ge 1 - |\lambda|.$$
(2)

For $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$, in [14], it is shown that

$$\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : 1 - \varepsilon \le |\lambda| \le 1\} \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(S).$$
(3)

Consider $r \in (0, 1]$ *. For* $\varepsilon_0 = 1 - r$ *, from equation (3),*

$$\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : r \le |\lambda| \le 1\} \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon_0}(S). \tag{4}$$

Thus for any $\lambda_0 \in \sigma(S)$ *with* $|\lambda_0| = r$ *,*

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S - \lambda_0)x\| \le \varepsilon_0 = 1 - r = 1 - |\lambda_0|.$$
(5)

From, equation (2) and (5),

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S - \lambda_0)x\| = 1 - |\lambda_0|.$$
(6)

Since

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S - \lambda)x\| = 1 - |\lambda|$$

for all $\lambda \in \sigma(S)$, the map

 $E_2: \sigma(S) \setminus \sigma_{ap}(S) \to \mathbb{R}$ defined by $E_2(\lambda) = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S - \lambda)x\|$

is continuous. Let Ω be a bounded open subset of \mathbb{C} containing $\Lambda_{\varepsilon}(S)$. For $\alpha \neq 0$, consider the affine function,

 $f: \Omega \to \mathbb{C}$ defined by $f(z) = \alpha z + \beta$

for some $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$. By spectral mapping theorem,

 $\sigma(f(S)) = \{\alpha\lambda + \beta \in \mathbb{C} : |\lambda| \le 1\},\$

and by Theorem 2.9,

$$\sigma_{ap}(f(S)) = \{ \alpha \lambda + \beta \in \mathbb{C} : |\lambda| = 1 \}.$$

The map

$$E_1: \sigma(S) \setminus \sigma_{ap}(S) \to \mathbb{R} \text{ defined by } E_1(\lambda) = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(S) - f(\lambda))x\|$$

is continuous because $\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(S) - f(\lambda))x\| = |\alpha|E_2(\lambda)$. Consider $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$. Now,

$$\begin{split} \phi(\varepsilon) &= \sup_{\lambda \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(S)} \left\{ \inf_{\|x\|=1} \| (f(S) - f(\lambda))x\| \right\} \\ &= |\alpha| \sup_{\lambda \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(S)} \left\{ \inf_{\|x\|=1} \| (S - \lambda)x\| \right\}. \end{split}$$

We note that, if $\lambda \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(S) \setminus \sigma(S)$, then $\lambda \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}(S) \setminus \sigma(S)$. In this case

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(S) - f(\lambda))x\| = |\alpha| \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S - \lambda)x\| = |\alpha| \frac{1}{\|(T - \lambda)^{-1}\|} \le |\alpha|\varepsilon.$$

If $\lambda \in \sigma(S) \cap \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(S)$, then from equation (3),

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(S) - f(\lambda))x\| = |\alpha| \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S - \lambda)x\| \le |\alpha|\varepsilon.$$

Moreover, for $|\lambda| = 1 - \varepsilon$ *, from equation 6, we have*

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(S) - f(\lambda))x\| = |\alpha| \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S - \lambda)x\| = |\alpha|\varepsilon.$$

Thus $\phi(\varepsilon) = |\alpha|\varepsilon$. Next,

$$\psi(\varepsilon) = \sup_{\lambda \in f^{-1}(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(S)))} \left\{ \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S-\lambda)x\| \right\}$$
$$= \frac{1}{|\alpha|} \sup_{\lambda \in f^{-1}(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(S)))} \left\{ \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(S) - f(\lambda))x\| \right\}.$$

Let $\lambda \in f^{-1}(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(S)))$. If $f(\lambda) \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(S)) \setminus \sigma(f(S))$, then $f(\lambda) \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}(f(S)) \setminus \sigma(f(S))$. In this case

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S-\lambda)x\| = \frac{1}{|\alpha|} \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(S) - f(\lambda))x\| = \frac{1}{|\alpha|} \frac{1}{\|(f(T) - f(\lambda))^{-1}\|} \le \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|}.$$

If $f(\lambda) \in \sigma(f(S)) \cap \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(S))$, then

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S-\lambda)x\| = \frac{1}{|\alpha|} \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(S)-f(\lambda))x\| \le \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|}.$$

Moreover, for $|\lambda| = 1 - \varepsilon$ *, from equation 6*

$$\inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(S-\lambda)x\| = \frac{1}{|\alpha|} \inf_{\|x\|=1} \|(f(S)-f(\lambda))x\| = \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|}.$$

Thus $\psi(\varepsilon) = \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|}$ and

$$f(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(S)) = \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(S)).$$

The following is another version of the spectral mapping theorem. It is proved for the set $\sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$

Theorem 2.17. Let $T \in B(X)$. Given an arbitrarily small $\varepsilon' > 0$, let Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{C} containing $\Lambda_{\varepsilon'}(T)$ and $A_{\Omega} = \{D \in B(X) : \sigma(D) \subseteq \Omega\}$. Suppose

1. *f* be an injective analytic function defined on Ω , the map

 $\Gamma : A_{\Omega} \to B(X)$ defined by $\Gamma(T) = f(T)$

has the invertible Fréchet derivative $D\Gamma$ at T,

2. $\bigcup_{\substack{\{D \in B(X): ||D|| \le \varepsilon\}}} \sigma_{ap}(T+D) = \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T) \text{ for all } \varepsilon > 0,$ 3. $\bigcup_{\substack{\{D \in B(X): ||D|| \le \varepsilon\}}} \sigma_{ap}(f(T)+D) = \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T)) \text{ for all } \varepsilon > 0,$

then there exists $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ such that for all $0 < \varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0$, we define the following sets

 $\gamma_{\varepsilon} := \sup \{ \|f(T+S) - f(T)\| : \|S\| \le \varepsilon \}$ $\delta_{\varepsilon} := \sup \{ \|S\| : \|f(T+S) - f(T)\| \le \varepsilon \}.$

The following holds,

- 1. $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \gamma_{\varepsilon} = 0.$
- 2. $f(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\gamma_{\varepsilon}}(f(T)).$
- 3. $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \delta_{\varepsilon} = 0.$
- 4. $\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T)) \subseteq f(\Sigma_{ap,\delta_{\varepsilon}}(T)).$

Proof. We first prove that $\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \gamma_{\epsilon} = 0$. The map

$$\Gamma: A_{\Omega} \to B(X)$$
 defined by $\Gamma(T) = f(T)$

is continuous at T by the definition of f(T). Consider $\delta > 0$. There exists $\delta' > 0$ such that

 $||f(T+S) - f(T)|| < \delta \text{ for all } ||S|| < \delta'.$

From the above equation it is clear that $\gamma_{\varepsilon} < \delta$ *whenever* $\varepsilon < \delta'$ *.*

Take $\varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon'$. If $\mu \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)$, then by our assumption there exists $D \in B(X)$ with $||D|| \le \varepsilon$ such that $\mu \in \sigma_{ap}(T+D)$. From Theorem 2.9, $f(\mu) \in \sigma_{ap}(f(T+D))$. By the definition of γ_{ε} ,

$$\|f(T+D) - f(T)\| \le \gamma_{\varepsilon}.$$

If E = f(T + D) - f(T), then $f(\mu) \in \sigma_{ap}(f(T) + E)$ and $||E|| \le \gamma_{\varepsilon}$. By our assumption, $f(\mu) \in \sigma_{ap,\gamma_{\varepsilon}}(f(T))$ and hence

$$f(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\gamma_{\varepsilon}}(f(T)).$$

Next, we show that, $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \delta_{\varepsilon} = 0$. *Consider the inverse map*

$$g: f(\Omega) \to \Omega$$
 defined by $g(\lambda) = f^{-1}(\lambda)$.

The map g is well defined. Because f is injective, we have g is analytic. Consider $B_{f(\Omega)} = \{S \in B(X) : \sigma(S) \subseteq f(\Omega)\}$. Since $\sigma(T) \subseteq \Omega$, by spectral mapping theorem $f(\sigma(T)) \subseteq f(\Omega)$ and hence, $f(T) \in B_{f(\Omega)}$. The map

 $\Gamma': B_{f(\Omega)} \to B(X)$ defined by $\Gamma'(S) = g(S)$

is continuous by the definition of g(*S*)*. In particular,* Γ' *is continuous at f*(*T*)*. Consider* $\delta > 0$ *. There exists* $\delta' > 0$ *such that*

$$\|\Gamma'(f(T)) - \Gamma'(E)\| < \delta \text{ for all } \|E - f(T)\| < \delta'.$$

If $\varepsilon < \delta'$, then by the last equation, we have $\delta_{\varepsilon} < \delta$. Thus $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \delta_{\varepsilon} = 0$.

By our assumption, the Fréchet derivate D Γ at T is invertible, so by inverse mapping theorem, there exists an open set U which contains T such that the map $U \mapsto \Gamma(U)$ is invertible and $\Gamma(U)$ is open. Since $f(T) \in \Gamma(U)$, there exists δ_1 such that $U' = \{N \in B(X) : ||f(T) - N|| < \delta_1\} \subseteq \Gamma(U)$. Choose $\varepsilon_0 < \min \{\varepsilon', \delta_1\}$.

For any $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0$, if $\mu \in \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T))$, then by our assumption there exists $D \in B(X)$ with $||D|| \leq \varepsilon$ such that $\mu \in \Sigma_{ap}(f(T) + D)$. By inverse mapping theorem, there exists $E \in U$ such that

$$f(T+E) = f(T) + D$$

We have $\mu \in \Sigma_{av}(f(T+E))$. By Theorem 2.9, and f is injective, there exists $\lambda \in \Sigma_{av}(T+E)$ such that $f(\lambda) = \mu$. Next,

 $||f(T + E) - f(T)|| \le \varepsilon$ and $||E|| < \delta_{\varepsilon}$.

implies,

$$\lambda \in \Sigma_{ap,\delta_{\varepsilon}}(T)$$

Hence, $f(\lambda) \in f(\Sigma_{ap,\delta_{\varepsilon}}(T))$.

Remark 2.18. Note that in Theorem 2.17, the proof of the existence of γ_{ε} , the fact $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \gamma_{\varepsilon} = 0$ and the fact $f(\Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(T)) \subseteq \Sigma_{ap,\gamma_{\varepsilon}}(f(T))$ does not require the injectivity of f, $\bigcup_{\{D \in B(X): ||D|| \le \varepsilon\}} \sigma_{ap}(f(T) + D) = \Sigma_{ap,\varepsilon}(f(T))$ and the Fréchet derivative of Γ at T is invertible.

In the following example, we find γ_{ε} based on the conclusions given in the above remark.

Example 2.19. Consider the operator S given in example 2.16 and Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{C} containing $\Lambda_{\varepsilon}(S)$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$. We define the map

 $f: \Omega \to \mathbb{C}$ by $f(z) = z^2$.

For any $E \in B(\ell^2(\mathbb{N}))$ with $||E|| \le \varepsilon$, the following observation has been made

 $f(S + E) - f(S) = (S + E)^2 - S^2 = SE + ES + E^2.$

Since, ||S|| = 1, we have

 $||f(S+E) - f(S)|| = ||SE + ES + E^2|| \le 2\varepsilon + \varepsilon^2.$

Hence $\gamma_{\varepsilon} = \sup \{ \|f(T + E) - f(T)\| : \|E\| \le \varepsilon \} \le 2\varepsilon + \varepsilon^2$. *For the operator* $E_0 = \varepsilon S$ *, we have* $\|E_0\| = \varepsilon$ *and*

 $||f(S + E_0) - f(S)|| = ||SE_0 + E_0S + E_0^2|| = (2\varepsilon + \varepsilon^2)||S^2||$

It is easy to see that $||S^2|| = 1$. Thus $\gamma_{\varepsilon} = (2\varepsilon + \varepsilon^2)$.

In the next example we calculate δ_{ε} .

Example 2.20. Consider the operator *S* given in example 2.16, Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{C} containing $\Lambda_{\varepsilon}(S)$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$. For $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$, take the map

$$f: \Omega \to \mathbb{C}$$
 by $f(z) = \alpha z + \beta z$

Then f is injective, the Fréchet derivative of Γ at S is invertible. For any $E \in B(\ell^2(\mathbb{N}))$, if $||f(S + E) - f(S)|| \le \varepsilon$, then

 $\|\alpha S + \alpha E + \beta - (\alpha S + \beta)\| \le \varepsilon.$

Hence, $||E|| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|}$. It follows that

$$\delta_{\varepsilon} = \sup \{ \|E\| : \|f(T+E) - f(T)\| \le \varepsilon \} \le \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|}$$

Since ||S|| = 1, for the operator $E_0 = \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|}S$, we have,

$$||f(S+E_0) - f(S)|| = \varepsilon.$$

Thus $\delta_{\varepsilon} = \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|}$.

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