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## HOMOMORPHISMS OF THE ALGEBRA OF SYMMETRIC ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS ON $\ell_1$

The algebra  $\mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  of symmetric analytic functions of bounded type is investigated. In particular, we study continuity of some homomorphisms of the algebra of symmetric polynomials on  $\ell_p$  and composition operators of the algebra of symmetric analytic functions. The paper contains several open questions.

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### INTRODUCTION

Let  $X$  be a complex Banach space. By a *symmetric function* on  $X$  we mean a function which is invariant with respect to a semigroup of isometric operators on  $X$ . In the case  $X = \ell_p$  by a symmetric function on  $\ell_p$  we mean a function which is invariant under any reordering of a sequence in  $\ell_p$ .

Let us denote by  $\mathcal{P}(\ell_p)$  the algebra of all polynomials on  $\ell_p$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , and by  $\mathcal{P}_s(\ell_p)$  the algebra of all symmetric polynomials on  $\ell_p$ . The completion of  $\mathcal{P}(\ell_p)$  in the metric of uniform convergence on bounded sets coincides with the algebra of entire analytic functions of bounded type  $\mathcal{H}_b(\ell_p)$  on  $\ell_p$ . We use the notations  $\mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_p)$  for the subalgebra of all symmetric analytic functions in  $\mathcal{H}_b(\ell_p)$ . Also we use the notation  $\mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_p)$  for the spectrum (the set of all non-null continuous complex-valued homomorphisms) of the algebra  $\mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_p)$ .

Symmetric polynomials on rearrangement-invariant function spaces were studied in [7, 8]. In [7] it is proved that the polynomials

$$F_k(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i^k, \quad k = [p], [p] + 1, \dots \quad (1)$$

form an algebraic basis in the algebra of all symmetric polynomials on  $\ell_p$ , where  $[p]$  is the smallest integer that is greater than or equal to  $p$ .

Spectra of algebras of analytic functions were studied in [2, 3, 9, 10]. The spectrum of the algebra  $\mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_p)$  was investigated in [4–6].

Recall that for any  $\varphi, \theta \in \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_p)$  and  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_p)$ , the *symmetric convolution*  $\varphi \star \theta$  was defined in [4] as follows

$$(\varphi \star \theta)(f) = \varphi(\theta[T_y^s(f)]),$$

where  $T_y^s(f)(x) = f(x \bullet y) := (x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, \dots)$ ,  $x, y \in \ell_p$ ,  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$ ,  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots)$ .

Let  $x, y \in \ell_p$ ,  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$ ,  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots)$ . In [6] the *multiplicative intertwining* of  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $x \diamond y$ , was defined as the resulting sequence of ordering the set  $\{x_i y_j : i, j \in \mathbb{N}\}$  with one single index in some fixed order. It enabled us to define the *multiplicative convolution operator* as a mapping  $f \mapsto M_y(f)$ , where  $M_y(f)(x) = f(x \diamond y)$ . And for arbitrary  $\varphi, \theta \in \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_p)$  in [6] it was defined their *multiplicative convolution*  $\varphi \diamond \theta$  according to

$$(\varphi \diamond \theta)(f) = \varphi(\theta[M_x(f)]) \text{ for every } f \in \mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_p).$$

Using the symmetric convolution operation and the multiplicative convolution operator in the spectrum of the algebra  $\mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$ , a representation of  $\mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  in terms of entire functions of exponential type was obtained.

In this paper we continue to investigate the algebra  $\mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  of all symmetric analytic functions on  $\ell_1$  that are bounded on bounded sets. In particular, we study continuity of some homomorphisms (linear multiplicative operators) of the algebra of symmetric polynomials on  $\ell_p$  and composition operators of the algebra of symmetric analytic functions.

### 1 CONTINUOUS AND DISCONTINUOUS HOMOMORPHISMS

Let us recall that in [5] it was constructed a family  $\{\psi_\lambda : \lambda \in \mathbb{C}\}$  of elements of the set  $\mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_p)$  such that  $\psi_\lambda(F_p) = \lambda$  and  $\psi_\lambda(F_k) = 0$  for  $k > p$ .

**Proposition 1.** *The homomorphism  $\Gamma : \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_1)$ , such that  $\Gamma : F_n \mapsto F_{n-1}$ , (in particular,  $\Gamma : F_1 \mapsto 0$ ), is discontinuous.*

*Proof.* Since  $\psi_\lambda \circ F_1 = \lambda$  and  $\psi_\lambda \circ F_k = 0$  when  $k \neq 1$ , we have that  $\psi_\lambda \circ \Gamma(F_2) = \lambda$  and  $\psi_\lambda \circ \Gamma(F_k) = 0, k \neq 2$ . It follows that  $\psi_\lambda \circ \Gamma$  is discontinuous and we obtain that  $\Gamma$  is discontinuous too. □

Note that  $\Gamma$  acts in the natural way from  $\mathcal{P}_s(\ell_2)$  into  $\mathcal{P}_s(\ell_1)$ .

**Question 1.** *Does the homomorphism  $\Gamma : \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_2) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_1)$  is discontinuous?*

**Proposition 2.** *The homomorphism  $\Delta : \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_1)$ ,  $\Delta : F_{n-1} \mapsto F_n$ , is discontinuous.*

*Proof.* Let us define

$$m(P(x)) := P(-x) = (-1)^{\deg P} P(x),$$

where  $P$  is a homogeneous polynomial. It is easy to see that  $m$  is continuous and  $m(F_k) = (-1)^k F_k$ .

We have  $m \circ \Delta \circ m \circ \Delta(F_n) = -F_{n+2}$ . Let  $x \in \ell_1, x \neq 0$ . Let us define

$$\Theta_x := \delta_x \circ m \circ \Delta \circ m \circ \Delta.$$

Then  $\Theta_x(F_n) = -F_{n+2}(x)$ .

Let  $x_0 = (-1, 0, 0, \dots)$ . It is easy to see that  $\delta_{x_0}(F_n) = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if } n = 2k - 1, \\ 1, & \text{if } n = 2k. \end{cases}$

We have  $\Theta_{x_0}(F_n) : (F_1, F_2, \dots) \mapsto (0, 0, 1, -1, 1, -1, \dots)$ . According to [5, Theorem 1.6] we have that

$$(\delta_{x_0} \star \Theta_{x_0})(F_1) = \delta_{x_0}(F_1) + \Theta_{x_0}(F_1) = -1 + 0 = -1.$$

Similarly,

$$(\delta_{x_0} \star \Theta_{x_0})(F_2) = 1$$

and

$$(\delta_{x_0} \star \Theta_{x_0})(F_k) = 0 \quad \text{if } k > 2.$$

Hence we obtain that  $\Delta$  is discontinuous. □

**Remark 1.** Propositions 1 and 2 are also true for homomorphisms  $\Gamma : \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_p) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_p)$  and  $\Delta : \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_p) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_p)$ .

## 2 COMPOSITION OPERATORS

In this section we consider some homomorphisms which are composition operators, and study their continuity.

1. Let  $R : \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^m$  be an analytic mapping,  $R = (R_1, \dots, R_m)$ . Let us define  $T_R : (F_1, \dots, F_m) \mapsto (R_1(F_1, \dots, F_m), \dots, R_m(F_1, \dots, F_m))$ , that is

$$T_R(F_k) = R_k(F_1, \dots, F_m).$$

Let  $P$  be a symmetric polynomial of degree  $m$  on  $\ell_1$ . Then, as it was mentioned above, there exists a polynomial  $q$  on  $\mathbb{C}^m$  such that  $P(x) = q(F_1(x), \dots, F_m(x))$ . Applying  $T_R$  we obtain that

$$T_R(P) = q(R_1(F_1, \dots, F_m), \dots, R_m(F_1, \dots, F_m)).$$

**Proposition 3.** If  $R : t_n \mapsto a_n t_n + c_n$ , where  $a_n = \varphi(F_n)$  for some  $\varphi \in \mathcal{M}_{bs}$  and  $c_n = \psi(F_n)$  for some  $\psi \in \mathcal{M}_{bs}$ , then  $T_R$  is continuous.

In this case  $T_R(f) = (\delta_x \diamond \varphi) \star \psi(f)$  for every  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$ .

**Question 2.** For which more  $R$  the mapping  $T_R$  is continuous?

2. Let us consider now an analytic function of one variable  $h(t)$  and define

$$T_h(F_k(x)) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (h(x_n))^k.$$

**Proposition 4.** The operator  $T_h$  is continuous.

*Proof.* The continuity of  $T_h$  can be proved directly. □

3. Let  $\{P_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of symmetric polynomials such that for every  $x \in \ell_1$  the sequence  $(P_1(x), \dots, P_n(x), \dots) \in \ell_1$ .

Let us denote by  $P$  a mapping  $x \mapsto (P_1(x), \dots, P_n(x), \dots)$ . Also for every  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  we define

$$C_P(f)(x) := f \circ P(x).$$

**Proposition 5.** The composition operator  $C_P(f)$  is continuous.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $G : \ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_1$  be an analytic operator of bounded type.  $G$  commutes with permutation operators (in the sense that  $G(\sigma_1 x) = \sigma_2 G(x)$ , where  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  are permutations on the set of positive integers) if and only if the operator  $C_G(f)(x) := f \circ G(x)$ , where  $x \in \ell_1$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$ , is homomorphism.

*Proof.* If  $G$  commutes with permutation operators, then

$$f(G(\sigma_1 x)) = f(\sigma_2(G(x))) = f(G(x)) \in \mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1).$$

On the contrary: suppose that  $G$  does not commute with  $\sigma_1$ , i.e. there exists  $x$  such that  $G(\sigma_1 x) \neq \sigma_2 G(x)$  for any  $\sigma_2$ . Then there exists  $G_n$  such that  $G_n(G(\sigma_1 x)) \neq G_n(G(x))$ , since  $G(\sigma_1 x) \not\sim G(x)$ . Hence  $G_n \circ G \notin \mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$ , and we have a contradiction.  $\square$

4. Let  $P_k \in \mathcal{P}_s(\ell_1)$  and  $(P_1(x), P_2(x), \dots, P_n(x), \dots) \in \ell_\infty$  for any  $x \in \ell_1$ . Let us define

$$V_n = \left( \frac{P_1(x)}{n}, \frac{P_2(x)}{n}, \dots, \frac{P_n(x)}{n}, 0, 0, \dots \right)$$

and let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an arbitrary ultrafilter on  $\mathbb{N}$ .

Define

$$C_V(f) = \lim_{\mathcal{U}} f(V_n(x)),$$

where  $f$  is an arbitrary symmetric analytic function of bounded type on  $\ell_1$ . By constructions of  $C_V$  and [1, Example 3.1] it is easy to see that  $C_V(F_k) = 0$  if  $k > 1$  and  $C_V(F_1) \neq 0$  in the generale case.

**Proposition 6.**  $C_V$  is a continuous operator.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $F : \mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  be a homomorphism. Then there exists a mapping  $\Lambda : \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  such that

$$F(f)(x) = \widehat{f}(\Lambda(\delta_x)), \tag{2}$$

where  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  and  $\widehat{f}$  is the Gelfand transform of  $f$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_1)$ , then  $\psi = \varphi \circ F \in \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_1)$ . Let us put  $\Lambda(\varphi) = \psi$ . Then we have

$$\varphi \circ F(f) = \psi(f) = \Lambda(\varphi)(f).$$

Let  $\varphi = \delta_x$  and we obtain

$$\delta_x \circ F(f) = F(f)(x) = \Lambda(\delta_x)(f) = \widehat{f}(\Lambda(\delta_x)).$$

$\square$

It is easy to see that not every mapping  $\Lambda : \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  generates a continuous homomorphism on  $\mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  by the formula (2). We denote by  $\mathfrak{M}(\ell_1)$  the class of all mappings which generate continuous homomorphisms.

**Question 3.** How can we describe the class  $\mathfrak{M}(\ell_1)$ ?

From the properties of the operations  $\star$  and  $\diamond$  immediately follows the next theorem.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  and mappings  $\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2 : \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  belong to  $\mathfrak{M}(\ell_1)$ . Define

$$\Lambda_\star(\varphi) := \Lambda_1(\varphi) \star \Lambda_2(\varphi),$$

$$\Lambda_\diamond(\varphi) := \Lambda_1(\varphi) \diamond \Lambda_2(\varphi).$$

Then  $\Lambda_\star$  and  $\Lambda_\diamond$  belong to  $\mathfrak{M}(\ell_1)$  as well. In other words, the class  $\mathfrak{M}(\ell_1)$  is closed with respect to symmetric operations  $\star$  and  $\diamond$ .

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Досліджується алгебра  $\mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  цілих симетричних аналітичних функцій з  $\ell_1$  в  $\mathbb{C}$ , що є обмеженими на обмежених множинах. Зокрема, вивчається неперервність деяких гомоморфізмів алгебри симетричних поліномів на просторі  $\ell_p$  та операторів композиції на алгебрі симетричних аналітичних функцій. В статті поставлено декілька відкритих питань.

*Ключові слова і фрази:* поліноми та аналітичні функції на банахових просторах, симетричні поліноми, спектри алгебр.

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В работе исследуется алгебра  $\mathcal{H}_{bs}(\ell_1)$  целых симметрических аналитических функций ограниченного типа с  $\ell_1$  в  $\mathbb{C}$ . В частности, изучается непрерывность некоторых гомоморфизмов алгебры симметрических полиномов на пространстве  $\ell_p$  и операторов композиции на алгебре симметрических аналитических функций. В статье сформулировано несколько открытых вопросов.

*Ключевые слова и фразы:* полиномы и аналитические функции на банаховых пространствах, симметрические полиномы, спектры алгебр.