
K -Theorie für C^* -Algebren

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Einleitung

„ K -Theorie hat das Studium von Operatoralgebren revolutioniert.“

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Es gibt eine topologische K -Theory (Atiyah-Hirzebruch, 60er Jahre des letzten Jahrhunderts); diese verfolgt den Ansatz, Vektorbündel mit algebraischen Methoden zu untersuchen. Daraus entwickelte sich die K -Theorie für C^* -Algebren in den 70er Jahren des letzten Jahrhunderts. Parallel entwickelt haben sich die Ext -Theorie und die K -Homologie-Theorie, die zusammen mit der K -Theorie von Kasparov in den 80ern in die KK -Theorie zusammengeführt wurden. Außerdem gibt es noch die E -Theorie (Connes-Higson, 90er Jahre des letzten Jahrhunderts), das ist bivariate oder auch equivariante K -Theorie mit Gruppenwirkungen. Baum-Connes-Vermutung.

Die Idee, die der K -Theorie zugrunde liegt, ist

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \xrightarrow{K_1} & \\ \{C^*\text{-Algebren}\} & & \{\text{Abelsche Gruppen}\} \\ & \xleftarrow{K_0} & \end{array}$$

der Funktor K_0 „zählt Projektionen“, der Funktor K_1 „zählt Unitäre“. Ist $A \cong B$, so ist $K_i(A) = K_i(B)$ für $i \in \{0, 1\}$.

Das Elliot-Programm stellt sich die Frage, wann man „zurückgehen kann“, beziehungsweise wann man eine Klasse $\mathfrak{C} \subseteq \{C^*\text{-Algebren}\}$ mit der Eigenschaft, dass wenn $K_i A \cong K_i B$ auch gilt $A \cong B$ für $A, B \in \mathfrak{C}$.

Klassifikationsresultate im Rahmen des Elliot-Programms sind:

Satz .1 (Tikcaisis, White, Winter): *Seien A, B separable, unitale, einfache, unendlich-dimensionale C^* -Algebren mit endlicher nuklearer Dimension, die die universelle Koeffizienteneigenschaft haben. Dann gilt $A \cong B$ genau dann wenn $\text{Ell}(A) \cong \text{Ell}(B)$.*

Satz .2 (Eilers, Restorff, Ruiz, Sørensen): *Seien Γ_1 und Γ_2 endliche Graphen. Es gilt $C^*(\Gamma_1) = C^*(\Gamma_2)$ genau dann, wenn $\text{Ell}'(C^*\Gamma_1) \cong \text{Ell}'(C^*\Gamma_2)$.*

Für von Neumann-Algebren entspricht K -Theorie in etwa der Typenklassifizierung; also mehr oder weniger „nutzlos“.

Schöne Eigenschaften der K -Theorie sind:

- Funktorialität: Ist $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$ ein $*$ -Homomorphismus, dann ist $\varphi_*: K_i(A) \rightarrow K_i(B)$ für $i \in \{0, 1\}$ ein Gruppenhomomorphismus; es ist $(\varphi \circ \psi)_* = \varphi_* \circ \psi_*$, ...
- Homotopieinvarianz: Sind $\varphi, \psi: A \rightarrow B$ homotope $*$ -Homomorphismen, dann ist $\varphi_* = \psi_*$; ist $A \sim_h B$, dann ist $K_i A \cong K_i B$.
- Stabilität: Es ist $K_i(M_n(A)) = K_i(A)$ und $K_i(A \otimes K(H)) = K_i(A)$, wenn H ein separabler Hilbertraum ist,
- Bott-Periodizität: Man kann für $n \in \mathbb{N}$ auf natürliche Weise $K_n(A)$ definieren und zeigen, dass $K_{n+2}(A) \cong K_n$. Es gibt also nur K_0 und K_1 .
- Ausschneidung: Ist

$$0 \longrightarrow I \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\varphi} B \longrightarrow 0$$

eine kurze exakte Sequenz, d. h. ι ist injektiv, φ ist surjektiv und $\iota(I) = \ker \varphi$, also $B \cong A/I$ und $I \triangleleft A$, dann ist

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} K_0 I & \longrightarrow & K_0 A & \longrightarrow & K_0 B \\ \uparrow & & & & \downarrow \\ K_1 B & \longleftarrow & K_1 A & \longleftarrow & K_1 I \end{array}$$

exakt und gibt es $\psi: B \rightarrow A$ mit $\varphi \circ \psi = \text{id}_B$, so heißt die Sequenz *split exakt*. In diesem Fall ist $K_i A = K_i B \oplus K_i I$.

- Korrespondenz zum Klassischen: Es gilt $K_n(C_0(X)) \cong K^n(X)$.

Ziele für die Vorlesung sind:

- (a) Definiere K_0 und K_1 , weise obige Eigenschaften nach,
- (b) Konkrete Berechnungen von K -Theorien von bestimmten C^* -Algebren (oft benötigt man dafür lediglich *Eigenschaften*, nicht die Definition von K_0 und K_1),
- (c) Blumige Bemerkungen.

Kapitel I.

Äquivalenzrelationen auf Unitären

Definition I.1: Seien G eine topologische Gruppe und g_1, g_2 Elemente von G . Wir sagen, g_1 und g_2 seien *homotop*, in Zeichen $g_1 \sim_h g_2$, falls es einen stetigen Pfad $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow G$ mit $\gamma(0) = g_1, \gamma(1) = g_2$ gibt.

Wir nennen G_0 die Zusammenhangskomponente des neutralen Elements von G , also $G_0 := \{g \in G \mid g \sim_h e\} \subseteq G$.

Lemma I.2: *Homotopie ist eine Äquivalenzrelation auf G und $G_0 \subseteq G$ ist eine Untergruppe.*

Beweis: Ist $g \in G_0$, dann ist g^{-1} homotop zum neutralen Element per $(\gamma_t^{-1})_{t \in [0,1]}$, d. h. $g^{-1} \in G_0$. Sind g_1 und g_2 homotop zum neutralen Element via $(\gamma_t^1)_{t \in [0,1]}$ beziehungsweise $(\gamma_t^2)_{t \in [0,1]}$, dann auch $g_1 g_2$ per $(\gamma_t^1 \gamma_t^2)_{t \in [0,1]}$. $\square$

Definition I.3: Sei A eine unitale C^* -Algebra. Dann ist

$$U(A) := \{u \in A \text{ unitär}\}$$

eine topologische Gruppe mit neutralem Element 1 mit Zusammenhangskomponente des neutralen Elements $U_0(A) := \{u \in U(A) \mid u \sim_h 1\}$.

Lemma I.4: *Seien A eine unitale C^* -Algebra und $u \in U(A)$.*

- (i) *Gilt $\|1 - u\| < 2$, dann gibt es ein selbstadjungiertes $h \in A$ mit $u = e^{ih} \sim_h 1$, d. h. $u \in U_0(A)$,*
- (ii) *Es ist $U_0(A) = \{e^{ih_1} \cdots e^{ih_n} \mid h_1, \dots, h_n \in A \text{ selbstadjungiert}, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$,*
- (iii) *Ist B eine weitere unitale C^* -Algebra und $\sigma: A \rightarrow B$ ein unitaler surjektiver $*$ -Homomorphismus, dann gilt $\sigma(U_0(A)) = U_0(B)$.*

Beweis: (i) Es gilt $-1 \notin \operatorname{Sp} u \subseteq \mathbb{S}^1$, da $\|1 - u\| < 2$ (Funktionalkalkül). Die Funktion $e^{i\cdot} : [0, 2\pi) - \{\pi\} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1 - \{-1\}$ ist invertierbar mit stetiger Umkehrfunktion $\arg$. Wegen des Funktionalkalküls ist $\arg : \operatorname{Sp} u \rightarrow A$ eine wohldefinierte reell-wertige Funktion, d. h. $h := \arg(u)$ ist selbstadjungiert. Es gilt $e^{ih} = e^{i \arg(u)} = u$.

Für die Homotopie setzen wir $\gamma_t := e^{ith}$ für $t \in [0, 1]$; es ist also $\gamma(0) = 1$ und $\gamma(1) = u$

(ii) „ $\supseteq$ “: Mit $\gamma_t := e^{ith_1} \dots e^{ith_n}$ ist $e^{ih_1} \dots e^{ih_n} \sim_h 1$.

„ $\subseteq$ “: Für $u \sim_h 1$ via $(\gamma_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$ wähle eine Zerlegung $0 = t_0 < \dots < t_n = 1$ mit $\|\gamma(t_{i+1}) - \gamma(t_i)\| < 2$ (so eine Zerlegung gibt es wegen der Stetigkeit von $t \mapsto \gamma_t$). Dann gilt

$$u = \gamma(1) = \gamma(t_n)\gamma(t_{n-1})^{-1}\gamma(t_{n-1})\gamma(t_{n-2})^{-1}\gamma(t_{n-2}) \cdots \gamma(t_1)\gamma(t_0)^{-1}\gamma(t_0),$$

wobei $\gamma(t_{j+1})\gamma(t_j)^{-1} = \exp^{ih_j}$, denn

$$\|1 - \gamma(t_i)\gamma(t_{i-1})^{-1}\| = \|(\gamma(t_{i-1}) - \gamma(t_i))\gamma(t_i)^{-1}\| \leq \|\gamma(t_{i-1}) - \gamma(t_i)\| < 2.$$

(iii) „ $\subseteq$ “: Es ist $\sigma(e^{ih_1} \dots e^{ih_n}) = e^{i\sigma(h_1)} \dots e^{i\sigma(h_n)} \in U_0$ nach (ii).

„ $\supseteq$ “: Sei $v := e^{ih_1} \dots e^{ih_n} \in U_0 B$. Da σ surjektiv ist, existieren $h'_1, \dots, h'_n \in A$ mit $\sigma(h'_i) = h_i$. Setze $g_i := \frac{1}{2}(h'_i + h_i^*)$. Es gilt weiter $\sigma(g_i) = h_i$ und für $u := e^{ig_1} \dots e^{ig_n}$ ist $\sigma(u) = v$. $\square$

Lemma I.5: (i) Es ist $U_0(M_n(\mathbb{C})) = U(M_n(\mathbb{C}))$.

(ii) Ist A eine unitale C^* -Algebra, so ist $U_0(A) \subseteq U(A)$ eine normale Untergruppe,

(iii) Sind $u, v \in U(A)$ mit $\|u - v\| < 2$, dann sind u und v homotop,

(iv) Die Zusammenhangskomponente $U_0(A)$ des neutralen Elements ist offen und abgeschlossen in $U(A)$.

Beweis: (i) Für $u \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$ ist $\operatorname{Sp} u$ endlich, also ist ein Zweig des Logarithmus stetig (siehe Beweis von Lemma 1.4).

(ii) Sei $u \in U_0(A)$ mit der zugehörigen $(\gamma_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$, weiter sei $v \in U(A)$. Dann ist vuv^* homotop zu 1 vermöge $(v\gamma_tv^*)_{t \in [0,1]}$, also ist $vuv^* \in U_0(A)$ und $U_0(A)$ ist normal in $U(A)$.

(iii) Es gilt $\|1 - u^*v\| = \|u^*(u - v)\| \leq \|u - v\| < 2$, nach (Lemma I.4) ist also u^*v homotop zu 1 und damit ist $v = u(u^*v)$ homotop zu u .

(iv) Zur Offenheit: Sind $u \in U_0(A)$ und $v \in U(A)$ mit $\|u - v\| < 2$, dann liefert (iii) dass $v \sim_h u \sim_h 1$, d. h. $B(u, 2) \subseteq U_0(A)$ für alle $u \in U$. Zur Abgeschlossenheit: Sei $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ eine Folge in $U_0(A)$ mit Grenzwert $u \in U$. Dann gibt es eine natürliche Zahl N mit $\|u_N - u\| < 2$, nach (iii) also $u \sim_h u_N \sim_h 1$, d. h. $u \in U_0(A)$. $\square$

Lemma I.6: *Sei A eine unitale C^* -Algebra. Dann gilt in $U(M_2(A))$:*

$$\begin{pmatrix} u & \\ & v \end{pmatrix} \sim_h \begin{pmatrix} uv & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim_h \begin{pmatrix} vu & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim_h \begin{pmatrix} v & \\ & u \end{pmatrix}.$$

Insbesondere gilt $\begin{pmatrix} u & \\ & u^* \end{pmatrix} \sim_h \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Beweis: Für $t \in [0, 1]$, setze

$$\gamma_t := \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t\frac{\pi}{2}) & \sin(t\frac{\pi}{2}) \\ -\sin(t\frac{\pi}{2}) & \cos(t\frac{\pi}{2}) \end{pmatrix}$$

Es gilt $\gamma_t \in U(M_2(A))$, da

$$\begin{pmatrix} c & s \\ -s & c \end{pmatrix}^* \begin{pmatrix} c & s \\ -s & c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c & -s \\ s & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c & s \\ -s & c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c^2 + s^2 & 0 \\ 0 & c^2 + s^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Nun ist

$$\begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ -1 & \end{pmatrix} = \gamma_1 \sim_h \gamma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} u & \\ & v \end{pmatrix} \sim_h \begin{pmatrix} -u & \\ & -v \end{pmatrix}$$

via $\gamma'_t := e^{it\pi} \begin{pmatrix} u & \\ & v \end{pmatrix}$, damit ist

$$\begin{pmatrix} u & \\ & v \end{pmatrix} \sim_h \begin{pmatrix} -u & \\ & -v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ -1 & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ -1 & \end{pmatrix} \sim_h \begin{pmatrix} uv & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \square$$

Kapitel II.

Äquivalenzrelationen für Projektionen

Definition II.1: Seien A eine C^* -Algebra und $p, q \in A$ seien Projektionen (d. h. $p = p^2 = p^*$, $q = q^2 = q^*$).

- (i) Die Projektionen p und q heißen Murray-von Neumann-äquivalent, in Zeichen $p \sim q$, falls es ein $v \in A$ mit $v^*v = p$, $vv^* = q$ gibt.
- (ii) Die Projektionen p und q heißen Unitär-äquivalent, in Zeichen $p \sim_u q$, falls es $u \in U(A)$ mit $upu^* = q$ gibt,
- (iii) Die Projektionen p und q heißen U_0 -äquivalent, in Zeichen $p \sim_{U_0} q$, falls es $u \in U_0(A)$ mit $upu^* = q$ gibt,
- (iv) Die Projektionen p und q heißen homotop, in Zeichen $p \sim_h q$, falls es einen stetigen Weg $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow A$ gibt, sodass $\gamma(0) = p$, $\gamma(1) = q$ und $\gamma(t)$ eine Projektion für jedes $t \in [0, 1]$ ist.

Bemerkung II.2: Ein Element $v \in A$ ist eine partielle Isometrie (d. h. $v = vv^*v$) genau dann, wenn v^*v eine Projektion ist, was genau dann gilt, wenn vv^* eine Projektion ist.

Für v mit $v = vv^*v$ gilt $(v^*v)(v^*v) = v^*v$. Ist v^*v eine Projektion, so ist

$$\|v - vv^*v\|^2 = \|(v - vv^*v)(v - vv^*v)\| = \|v^*v - v^*vv^*v - v^*vv^*v + v^*vv^*vv^*v\| = 0.$$

Ist $v \in B(H)$ eine partielle Isometrie, dann ist $v: (v^*v)H \rightarrow (vv^*)H$ eine Isometrie.

Beispiel II.3: Ist H ein Hilbertraum mit $\dim H < \infty$, so ist $A = M_n(\mathbb{C}) = B(H)$. Zwei Projektionen $p, q \in A$ sind Murray-von Neumann-äquivalent genau dann, wenn $pH \cong qH$; also wenn $\text{rank } p = \text{rank } q$.

Lemma II.4: *Die Äquivalenzbegriffe für Projektionen aus Definition II.1 sind in der Tat Äquivalenzrelationen.*

Beweis: Für die Transitivität: Seien p, q und r Projektionen in A mit $p \sim q \sim r$. Dann sind $p = v^*v$, $q = vv^* = w^*w = ww^*$. Mit $z := vw$ ist

$$p = v^*(vv^*)v = z^*z \sim zz^* \dots \quad \square$$

Lemma II.5: *Sei A eine unitale C^* -Algebra, p und q seien Projektionen in A . Ist $\|p - q\| < 1$, dann ist $p \sim_{u_0} q$.*

Beweis: Setze $x := 2p - 1$, $y := 2q - 1$. Dann gelten $x = x^*$, $y = y^*$, $x^2 = y^2 = 1$, d. h. x und y sind Symmetrien, insbesondere also Unitäre. Damit ist $xy \in U(A)$ und es gilt

$$\|1 - xy\| = \|x(x - y)\| \leq \|x - y\| = 2\|p - q\| < 2.$$

Nach (Lemma I.4) (i) gibt es ein selbstadjungiertes $h \in A$, sodass $xy = e^{ih}$ und $yx = (xy)^* = e^{-ih}$.

Die Abbildung

$$\alpha: A \longrightarrow A, \quad a \longmapsto xax^*$$

ist ein $*$ -Homomorphismus, da x unitär ist. Des Weiteren ist $\arg(xy) = h$, $\arg(yx) = -h$, wobei $\arg$ die Funktion aus dem Beweis von (Lemma I.4) (a) ist. Da gilt $\alpha(xy) = x^2yx = yx$, ist $\alpha(h) = \alpha(\arg(xy)) = \arg(\alpha(xy)) = \arg(yx) = -h$. Setze jetzt $u := e^{-(i/2)h} \in U_0(A)$. Für die Funktion g definiert durch $g(t) := e^{-(i/2)t}$ haben wir $\alpha(u) = \alpha(g(h)) = g(\alpha(h)) = g(-h) = e^{-(i/2)h}$, also ist $uxu^* = x(xux)u^* = x\alpha(u)u^* = xe^{(i/2)h}e^{(i/2)h} = xy = y$ was

$$upu^* = u \left(\frac{x+1}{2} \right) u^* = \frac{y+1}{2} = q. \quad \square$$

Proposition II.6: *Sei A eine unitale C^* -Algebra und p, q seien Projektionen in A . Dann gilt*

$$p \sim_h q \iff p \sim_{U_0} q \implies p \sim_u q \implies p \sim q.$$

Beweis: „ $p \sim_h q \implies p \sim_{U_0} q$ “: Sei $p \sim_h q$ durch die Homotopie $(\gamma_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$. Wegen der Stetigkeit von $t \mapsto \gamma_t$ finden wir eine Zerlegung $0 = t_0 < \dots < t_n = 1$, sodass $\|\gamma(t_{i-1}) - \gamma(t_i)\| < 1$. Wegen (Lemma II.5) gibt es $u_i \in U_0(A)$, sodass $u_i \gamma(t_{i-1}) u_i^* = \gamma(t_i)$. Setze $u := u_1 \dots u_n \in U_0(A)$. Dann ist

$$upu^* = u_n \dots u_1 \gamma(t_0) u_1^* \dots u_n^* = \gamma(t_n) = q.$$

„ $p \sim_{U_0} q \Rightarrow p \sim_h q$ “: Für $u \in U_0(A)$ mit $upu^* = q$ haben wir eine Familie $(\gamma_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$ in $U_0(A)$ mit $\gamma_0 = u$, $\gamma_1 = 1$. Via $\gamma'_t := \gamma_t p \gamma_t^*$ ist nun $p \sim_h q$.

„ $p \sim_{U_0} q \Rightarrow p \sim_U q$ “: Das ist klar, da $U_0(A)$ eine Teilmenge von $U(A)$ ist.

„ $p \sim_u q \Rightarrow p \sim q$ “: Sei $u \in U(A)$ mit $upu^* = q$. Das Element $v := up$ leistet $v^*v = p$ und $vv^* = q$, was wir zeigen wollten. $\square$

Proposition II.7: Betrachte $A \cong \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \subseteq M_2(A)$ als C^* -Unteralgebra. Ferner seien p und q Projektionen in A . Dann gilt $p \sim_h q$ in $M_2(A)$ genau dann, wenn $p \sim q$ in A .

Beweis: „ $\Rightarrow$ “: Nach (Proposition II.6) gibt es $u \in U_0(M_2(A'))$ mit $upu^* = q$, wobei A' eine Unitalisierung von A ist. Setzen wir $v := up$ so ist

$$v = up = (upu^*)up = qup = \begin{pmatrix} q & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} u \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \subseteq M_2(A) \subseteq M_2(A')$$

und $v^*v = p$, $vv^* = q$.

„ $\Leftarrow$ “: Sei $v \in A$ mit $v^*v = p$ und $vv^* = q$. Dann ist

$$u := \begin{pmatrix} v & -(1-q) \\ 1-p & v^* \end{pmatrix}$$

das gesuchte Unitäre, denn

$$\begin{aligned} uu^* &= \begin{pmatrix} v & -(1-q) \\ 1-p & v^* \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} v^* & 1-p \\ -(1-q) & v \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} vv^* + (1-q) & v(1-p) - (1-q)v \\ (1-p)v^* - v^*(1-q) & vv^* + (1-p) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Wegen $u \sim_h I_2$ wissen wir

$$u \sim_h u \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ -1 & \end{pmatrix} \sim_h \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

durch

$$u \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t\frac{\pi}{2}) & \sin(t\frac{\pi}{2}) \\ -\sin(t\frac{\pi}{2}) & \cos(t\frac{\pi}{2}) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{und} \quad \begin{pmatrix} (1-q) + \cos(t\frac{\pi}{2})q & \sin(t\frac{\pi}{2})v \\ -\sin(t\frac{\pi}{2})v^* & (1-p) + \cos(t\frac{\pi}{2})p \end{pmatrix}.$$

Schließlich ist

$$\begin{aligned} u \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} u^* &= \begin{pmatrix} v & -(1-q) \\ 1-p & v^* \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} v^* & 1-p \\ -(1-q) & v \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} vpv^* & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} q & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

also $\begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim_{U_0} \begin{pmatrix} q & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ in $M_2(A)$; (Proposition II.6) liefert jetzt, dass tatsächlich $\begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim_h \begin{pmatrix} q & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ in $M_2(A)$. $\square$

Lemma II.8: *Seien A eine unitale C^* -Algebra, p, q, p', q' Projektionen in A , sodass $p \perp q$, $p' \perp q'$ (d. h. $pq = 0$, $p'q' = 0$), $p \sim p'$ und $q \sim q'$. Dann gilt $p + q \sim p' + q'$.*

Beweis: Seien $v, w \in A$ mit $v^*v = p$, $vv^* = p'$, $w^*w = q$, $ww^* = q'$. Dann ist

$$w^*v = w^*ww^*vv^*v = 0 = wv^*,$$

d. h. $(v+w)^*(v+w) = v^*v + w^*w = p + q$, $(v+w)(v+w)^* = vv^* + ww^* = p' + q'$. $\square$

Kapitel III.

Definition of K_0

Definition III.1: For a C^* -algebra A consider the embedding

$$M_n(A) \hookrightarrow M_{n+1}(A), \quad x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and put $M_\infty(A) := \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} M_n(A) = \{(a_{i,j})_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}} \mid a_{i,j} \in A, \text{ only finitely many } a_{i,j} \neq 0\}$.

Bemerkung III.2: (i) If A is a C^* -algebra, then also $M_n(A) := \{(a_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} \mid a_{i,j} \in A\}$. Indeed: Let $\pi: A \hookrightarrow B(H)$ be a faithful representation and define

$$\pi^{(n)}: M_n(A) \longrightarrow B(H^n) \cong M_n(B(H)), \quad (a_{i,j}) \mapsto (\pi(a_{i,j})).$$

Then $\pi^{(n)}$ is a faithful representation. Put $\|(a_{i,j})\| := \|\pi(a_{i,j})\|_{B(H^n)}$. With this norm, $M_n(A)$ becomes a C^* -algebra and we have

$$\max_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} \|a_{i,j}\| \leq \|(a_{i,j})\| \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|a_{i,j}\|.$$

(ii) We have $M_n(A) \subseteq M_\infty(A)$, i.e., we have a C^* -norm on $M_\infty(A)$ via $\|x\| = \|x\|_{M_n(A)}$ for $x \in M_n(A) \hookrightarrow M_\infty(A)$, but $M_\infty(A)$ is not complete with respect to this norm, i.e., $M_\infty(A)$ is not a C^* -algebra itself.

Definition III.3: For a C^* -algebra A put

$$H(A) := \{[p]_\sim \mid p \in M_\infty(A) \text{ is a projection}\}.$$

Lemma III.4: (i) $[\cdot]$ is the equivalence class with respect to $\sim, \sim_h, \sim_U, \sim_{U_0}$.

(ii) $H(A)$ is an abelian semigroup via $[p] + [q] := [p' + q']$, where $p \sim p', q \sim q'$ with $p' \perp q'$ (i.e., $p'q' = 0$). The neutral element is $[0]$.

Beweis: (i) Let $p, q \in M_\infty(A)$, i.e., $p, q \in M_n(A)$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $p \sim q$ in $M_n(A)$ we have $p \sim_h q$ in $M_{2n}(A) \subseteq M_\infty(A)$ via Proposition II.7.

If now $p \sim_h q$ in $M_n(A)$, then $p \sim_h q$ in $M_2(M_n(A)) \cong M_{2n}(A) \subseteq M_\infty(A)$ and thus via Proposition II.6 we have $p \sim q$ in $M_{2n}(A) \subseteq M_\infty(A)$.

(ii) There are p', q' such that $p = p' := \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $q' := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & q \end{pmatrix} \sim q$ and independent of the choice of p' and q' let p, p', p'', q, q', q'' be projections in $M_\infty(A)$ with $p \sim p' \sim p'', q \sim q' \sim q''$ and $p' \perp q', p'' \perp q''$.

Now Lemma II.8 gives $p' + q' \sim p'' + q''$, thus $[p' + q'] = [p'' + q'']$.

Associativity and commutativity are easily checked, just like the fact that $[0]$ is the neutral element. $\square$

Definition III.5: Let H be an abelian semigroup and let $\Delta := \{(x, x) \mid x \in H\}$. Then $G(H) := H \times H / \Delta$ is called the *Grothendieck group of H* . Here

$$(a_1, b_1) \sim (a_2, b_2) : \Longleftrightarrow \exists z_1, z_2 \in H : (a_1 + z_1, b_1 + z_1) = (a_2 + z_2, b_2 + z_2).$$

In the following, we write $(a, b)^\bullet$ for elements in $G(H)$.

Lemma III.6: Let H be an abelian semigroup and $G(H)$ be its Grothendieck group. Then $G(H)$ is indeed an abelian group with neutral element $(x, x)^\bullet$ and inverse element (b, a) , given $(a, b)^\bullet$.

Beweis: We have $(a, b)^\bullet + (x, x)^\bullet = (a + x, b + x)^\bullet = (a, b)^\bullet$ and $(a, b)^\bullet + (b, a)^\bullet = (a + b, a + b)^\bullet$ is the neutral element. Furthermore, since H already was abelian, we have

$$(a, b)^\bullet + (c, d)^\bullet = (a + c, b + d)^\bullet = (c + a, d + b)^\bullet = (c, d)^\bullet + (a, b)^\bullet,$$

thus $G(H)$ is an abelian group. $\square$

Beispiel III.7: If we take the abelian semigroup $(\mathbb{N}, +)$, the Grothendieck group $G(\mathbb{N})$ is nothing else but $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$.

Lemma III.8: (i) The Grothendieck map

$$\varphi: H \longrightarrow G(H), \quad a \longmapsto (a + x, x)^\bullet$$

is a semigroup homomorphism. It is neither injective nor surjective.

- (ii) The Grothendieck group has the following universal property: If $\psi: H \rightarrow G$ is a semigroup homomorphism, where G is a group, there is one and only one group homomorphism

$$\alpha: G(H) \longrightarrow G$$

with $\alpha((a, b)^\bullet) = \psi(a) - \psi(b)$ and $\alpha \circ \varphi = \psi$. In particular, $G(H) = \{\varphi(a) - \varphi(b) \mid a, b \in H\}$.

- (iii) We have functoriality, i.e., for all semigroup homomorphisms $\alpha: H \rightarrow H'$ there is one and only one $G(\alpha): G(H) \rightarrow G(H')$ such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & H' \\ \varphi \downarrow & & \downarrow \varphi' \\ G(H) & \xrightarrow{G(\alpha)} & G(H') \end{array}$$

is commutative.

Beweis: (i) We have

$$\varphi(a+b) = (a+b+x, x)^\bullet = (a+b+x+x, x+x)^\bullet = (a+x, x)^\bullet + (b+x, x)^\bullet = \varphi(a) + \varphi(b).$$

- (ii) The map α is indeed a group homomorphism, since

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha((a, b)^\bullet + (c, d)^\bullet) &= \alpha((a+c, b+d)^\bullet) \\ &= \psi(a+c) - \psi(b+d) \\ &= \psi(a) - \psi(b) + \psi(c) - \psi(d) = \alpha((a, b)^\bullet) + \alpha((c, d)^\bullet). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore it holds

$$(\alpha \circ \varphi)(a) = \alpha((a+x, x)^\bullet) = \psi(a+x) - \psi(x) = \psi(a).$$

Suppose there was α' such that $\alpha' \circ \varphi = \psi$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha((a, b)^\bullet) &= \psi(a) - \psi(b) = \alpha'(\varphi(a)) - \alpha'(\varphi(b)) \\ &= \alpha'((a+x, x)^\bullet) - \alpha'((b+x, x)^\bullet) \\ &= \alpha'((a+x, x)^\bullet) + \alpha'((x, b+x)^\bullet) \\ &= \alpha'((a+x+x, b+x+x)^\bullet) = \alpha'((a, b)^\bullet) \end{aligned}$$

and $\varphi(a) - \varphi(b) = (a, b)^\bullet$.

(iii) Using (ii), we define $\psi := \varphi' \circ \alpha$ and thus get a map $G(\alpha)$ such that it holds $G(\alpha) \circ \varphi = \psi = \varphi' \circ \alpha$, i.e., we are in the situation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & H' \\ \varphi \downarrow & \searrow \psi & \downarrow \varphi' \\ G(H) & \xrightarrow{G(\alpha)} & G(H') \end{array}$$

□

Definition III.9: Es sei $H(A) := \{[p] \mid p \in \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} M_n(A) \text{ Projektion}\}$, $H(A)$ ist eine Halbgruppe und die Äquivalenzklassen sind bezüglich $\sim, \sim_U, \sim_{U_0}, \sim_h$. Dann ist

$$K_0(A) = G(H(A)) = H(A) \times H(A) / \text{diagonal}.$$

Berechnung III.10: (i) $K_0(\{0\}) = \{0\}$.

(ii) $K_0(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{Z}$.

We have $H(\mathbb{C}) = \{[p] \mid p \in M_\infty(\mathbb{C}) \text{ is a projection}\} = \mathbb{N}_0$, since projections $p, q \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$ are Murray-von Neumann equivalent if and only if $\text{rank } p = \text{rank } q$.

Kapitel IV.

Functoriality, additivity, finite stability, homotopy invariance and the standard picture of K_0

Eigenschaft IV.1: The map

$$K_0: \{\text{unital } C^*\text{-algebras}\} \longrightarrow \{\text{abelian groups}\}$$

is functorial, i.e.,

- (i) If $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$ is a unital $*$ -homomorphism, then there is a group homomorphism $K_0(\varphi) = \varphi_*: K_0(A) \rightarrow K_0(B)$,
- (ii) If we have unital $*$ -homomorphisms $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$ and $\psi: B \rightarrow C$, then it holds $K_0(\psi \circ \varphi) = K_0(\psi) \circ K_0(\varphi)$.

Beweis: (i) Given a unital $*$ -homomorphism $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$, $a \mapsto \varphi(a)$, we get homomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} M_\infty(\varphi): M_\infty(A) &\longrightarrow M_\infty(B), & (a_{i,j}) &\longmapsto (\varphi(a_{i,j})) \\ H(\varphi): H(A) &\longrightarrow H(B), & [p] &\longmapsto [M_\infty(\varphi)(p)] \\ K_0(\varphi): K_0(A) &\longrightarrow K_0(B), & ([p], [q])^\bullet &\longmapsto ([M_\infty(\varphi)(p)], [M_\infty(\varphi)(q)]) \end{aligned}$$

Eigenschaft IV.2: The functor K_0 is additive, i.e., $K_0(A \oplus B) = K_0(A) \oplus K_0(B)$.

Beweis: The direct sum $A \oplus B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$ is a unital C^* -algebra via the pointwise operations and the norm $\|(a, b)\| := \max\{\|a\|, \|b\|\}$.

It holds

$$\{((a_{i,j}, b_{i,j}))_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}\} = M_n(A \oplus B) \cong M_n(A) \oplus M_n(B) = \{((a_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}, (b_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n})\},$$

thus $M_\infty(A \oplus B) \cong M_\infty(A) \oplus M_\infty(B)$, $H(A \oplus B) \cong H(A) \oplus H(B)$ and thus via Lemma III.8 (ii), we get $K_0(A \oplus B) \cong K_0(A) \oplus K_0(B)$. $\square$

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Eigenschaft IV.3: The functor K_0 is finitely stable, i.e., $K_0(M_n(A)) = K_0(A)$.

Beweis: We have injections

$$j: A \hookrightarrow M_n(A), \quad x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

thus $M_\infty(j): M_\infty(A) \rightarrow M_\infty(M_n(A)) \cong M_\infty(A)$ is a bijection. Hence $H(M_n(A)) \cong H(A)$ and $K_0(A) \cong K_0(M_n(A))$. $\square$

Berechnung IV.4: (i) $K_0(M_n(\mathbb{C})) = K_0(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{Z}$,

(ii) $K_0(\mathbb{C}^n) = K_0(\bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathbb{C}) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n K_0(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{Z}^n$.

(iii) If A is a finite-dimensional C^* -algebra¹, then $A \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^k M_{n_i}(\mathbb{C})$ and thus $K_0(A) = \mathbb{Z}^k$.

Definition IV.5: Let A and B be unital C^* -algebras

- (i) If α and $\beta: A \rightarrow B$ are unital $*$ -homomorphisms and there are unital $*$ -homomorphisms $(\varphi_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$, where $\varphi_t: A \rightarrow B$ for $t \in [0,1]$, such that $t \mapsto \varphi_t(a)$ is continuous for all $a \in A$, $\varphi_0 = \alpha$ and $\varphi_1 = \beta$, we call α and β *homotopic* and write $\alpha \sim_h \beta$.
- (ii) If there are unital $*$ -homomorphisms $\alpha: A \rightarrow B$, $\beta: B \rightarrow A$ such that $\alpha \circ \beta \sim_h \text{id}_B$, $\beta \circ \alpha \sim_h \text{id}_A$, we call A and B *homotopic* and write $A \sim_h B$.
- (iii) If $A \sim_h 0$, we call A *contractible*.

Bemerkung IV.6: Two unital $*$ -homomorphisms α, β are homotopic if and only if there is a map $\varphi: A \rightarrow C([0,1], B) := \{f: [0,1] \rightarrow B \text{ continuous}\}$ with $\varphi \circ \text{ev}_0 = \alpha$, $\varphi \circ \text{ev}_1 = \beta$, where

$$\text{ev}_x: C([0,1], B) \longrightarrow B, \quad f \longmapsto f(x).$$

Lemma IV.7: Let A be a unital C^* -algebra.

- (i) We have $A \sim_h C([0,1], A)$,
- (ii) We have $C_0((0,1], A) \sim_h 0$, $CA := C_0([0,1], A) \sim_h 0$.

¹Those are always unital.

Beweis: (i) The set $C([0, 1], A) := \{f: [0, 1] \rightarrow A \text{ continuous}\}$ is a C^* -algebra with pointwise operations and $\|f\|_\infty := \sup_{t \in [0, 1]} \|f(t)\|_\infty$. Consider the maps

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha: A &\longrightarrow C([0, 1], A), & a &\longmapsto (t \mapsto a), \\ \beta: C([0, 1], A) &\longrightarrow A, & f &\longmapsto f(0), \\ \varphi_t: C([0, 1], A) &\longrightarrow C([0, 1], A), & \varphi_t(f)(s) &:= f(ts). \end{aligned}$$

Then $\beta \circ \alpha = \text{id}_A$, $\varphi_0 = \alpha \circ \beta$ and $\varphi_1 = \text{id}_{C([0, 1], A)}$, i.e., it holds $\beta \circ \alpha = \text{id}_A \sim_h \text{id}_A$ and $\alpha \circ \beta \sim_j \text{id}_{C([0, 1], A)}$.

(ii) The set $C_0((0, 1], A) = \{f: (0, 1] \rightarrow A \text{ continuous} \mid f(0) = 0\}$ is a non-unital C^* -algebra with pointwise operations. Similarly as above, consider the maps

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha: 0 &\longrightarrow C([0, 1], A), & 0 &\longmapsto (t \mapsto 0), \\ \beta: C([0, 1], A) &\longrightarrow 0, & f &\longmapsto f(0), \\ \varphi_t: C([0, 1], A) &\longrightarrow C([0, 1], A), & \varphi_t(f)(s) &:= f(ts). \end{aligned}$$

Then $\beta \circ \alpha = \text{id}_0$ and $0 = \alpha \circ \beta \sim_h \text{id}_{C_0((0, 1], A)}$. □

Eigenschaft IV.8: The functor K_0 is homotopy invariant, i.e.,

- (i) If $\alpha \sim_h \beta$, then $K_0(\alpha) \sim_h K_0(\beta)$,
- (ii) If $A \sim_h B$, then $K_0(A) \sim_h K_0(B)$.

Beweis: (i) Take $(\varphi_t)_{t \in [0, 1]}$, where $\varphi_0 = \alpha$ and $\varphi_1 = \beta$. Then $[M_\infty(\varphi_t)(p)] = [M_\infty(\varphi_0)(p)]$, since $[\cdot]$ is with respect to „ $\sim_h$ “, i.e., $H(\varphi_t)$ is constant and thus $K_0(\varphi_t)$ is constant.

(ii) Let $\alpha: A \rightarrow B$, $\beta: B \rightarrow A$ with $\alpha \circ \beta \sim_h \text{id}$, $\beta \circ \alpha \sim_h \text{id}$. By (i), we thus have

$$K_0(\alpha) \circ K_0(\beta) = \text{id}_{K_0(B)}, \quad K_0(\beta) \circ K_0(\alpha) = \text{id}_{K_0(A)}. \quad \square$$

Berechnung IV.9: (i) It holds $K_0(C([0, 1], A)) = K_0(A)$ via (4.7), (4.8); in particular it holds $K_0(C([0, 1])) = \mathbb{Z}$.

(ii) If A is contractible, then $K_0(A) = 0$. In particular it holds $K_0(C_0((0, 1], A)) = K_0(CA) = K_0(C_0((0, 1])) = 0$.

Definition IV.10: Let A be a not necessarily unital C^* -algebra. Then we define $K'_0(A) := \ker K'_0(\sigma) \subseteq K_0(\tilde{A})$, where

$$\sigma: \tilde{A} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad (a, \lambda) \longmapsto \lambda$$

and $\tilde{A}$ is the unitalisation of A . Here $K'_0(\sigma): K'_0(\tilde{A}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$

Lemma IV.11: Let A be a unital C^* -algebra. Then the definitions (4.10) and (3.9) coincide.

Beweis: If A is unital, then $\tilde{A} \cong A \oplus \mathbb{C}$ as C^* -algebras. Then $K'_0(\tilde{A}) = K_0(A) \oplus K'_0(\mathbb{C})$ and $\ker K'_0(\sigma) = K_0(A)$, since

$$\sigma: A \oplus \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad (a, \lambda) \longmapsto \lambda$$

and $\ker \sigma = A \triangleleft \tilde{A}$. □

Since K'_0 and K_0 coincide, we omit the „'“ in the following.

Bemerkung IV.12: K_0 (from Definition (4.10)) has all properties (4.1), (4.2), (4.3), (4.8) also for non-unital C^* -algebras.

Proposition IV.13 (Standard picture):

- (i) $K_0(A) = \{([p], [1_n])^\bullet \mid [p], [1_n] \in H(\tilde{A}), \sigma(p) \sim 1_n \in M_n(\mathbb{C})\}$, $\sigma: \tilde{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$,
- (ii) It holds $([p], [1_n])^\bullet = 0$ if and only if there is some natural number k such that $\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1_k \end{pmatrix} \sim 1_{n+k}$,
- (iii) It holds $(([p], [1_n])^\bullet = ([q], [1_m])^\bullet$ if and only if there is some natural number k such that $\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1_{m+k} \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} q & \\ & 1_{n+k} \end{pmatrix}$.

Beweis: (i) „ $\supseteq$ “: Let $[p], [1_n] \in H(\tilde{A})$, $\sigma(p) \sim 1_n$. Then

$$K_0(\sigma)([p], [1_n])^\bullet = ([\sigma(p)], [\sigma(1_n)])^\bullet = ([1_n], [1_n])^\bullet = 0,$$

i.e., $([p], [1_n])^\bullet \in \ker K_0(\sigma) = K_0(A)$.

„ $\subseteq$ “: Let $([p], [q])^\bullet \in K_0(A) = \ker K_0(\sigma)$ and let $p, q \in M_n \tilde{A}$. Put $v := \begin{pmatrix} q & 1-q \\ 1-q & q \end{pmatrix} \in M_{2n} \tilde{A}$. Then v is unitary and it holds $v \begin{pmatrix} q & \\ & 1-q \end{pmatrix} v^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and thus $\begin{pmatrix} q & \\ & 1-q \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1_n & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Now this implies

$$([p], [q])^\bullet = \left(\left[\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1-q \end{pmatrix} \right], \left[\begin{pmatrix} q & \\ & 1-q \end{pmatrix} \right] \right)^\bullet = \left(\left[\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1-q \end{pmatrix} \right], \left[\begin{pmatrix} 1_n & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \right)^\bullet$$

and $0 = ([\sigma \begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1-q \end{pmatrix}], [\sigma(1_n)])^\bullet$, i.e., $\sigma \begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1-q \end{pmatrix} \sim \sigma(1_n) = 1_n$.

(ii) „ $\Leftarrow$ “: We have

$$([p], [1_n])^\bullet = \left(\left[\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1_k \end{pmatrix} \right], [1_{n+k}] \right)^\bullet = ([1_{n+k}], [1_{n+k}])^\bullet = 0.$$

„ $\Rightarrow$ “: If $([p], [1_n])^\bullet = 0$, then there is some projection $q \in M_k(\tilde{A})$ such that $\begin{bmatrix} p & \\ & q \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1_n & \\ & q \end{bmatrix}$, i.e.,

$$\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1_k \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} p & & \\ & q & \\ & & 1_k - q \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1_n & & \\ & q & \\ & & 1_k - q \end{pmatrix} \sim 1_{n+k}.$$

(iii) „ $\Leftarrow$ “: It holds

$$([p], [1_n])^\bullet = \left(\left[\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1_{m+k} \end{pmatrix} \right], [1_{n+m+k}] \right)^\bullet = \left(\left[\begin{pmatrix} q & \\ & 1_{n+k} \end{pmatrix} \right], [1_{n+m+k}] \right)^\bullet = ([q], [1_m])^\bullet.$$

„ $\Rightarrow$ “: Suppose there are projections $r, s \in M_n \tilde{A}$ such that $([p] + [r], [1_n] + [r]) = ([q] + [s], [1_m] + [s])$. Then $\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & r \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} q & \\ & s \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1_n & \\ & r \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1_m & \\ & s \end{pmatrix}$ and thus

$$\begin{pmatrix} p & & \\ & 1_m & \\ & & 1_k \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} p & & \\ & 1_m & \\ & & r \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} q & & \\ & 1_m & \\ & & s \end{pmatrix}.$$

which concludes the proof. $\square$

Kapitel V.

Continuity and stability of K_0

Proposition V.1: *Let*

$$A_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{\varphi_2} A_3 \quad \dots \quad A_n \xrightarrow{\varphi_n} A_{n+1} \longrightarrow \dots$$

be an „inductive system“ of objects $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and morphisms $(\varphi_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, here

- (i) A_n be C^* -algebras and φ_n be $*$ -homomorphisms,
- (ii) A_n be groups and φ_n be group homomorphisms.

There exists a unique element (up to unique isomorphism) $\varinjlim_{\varphi_n} A_n$, the „inductive limit“ and morphisms $\bar{\varphi}_n: A_n \rightarrow \varinjlim A_n$ in the cases (i) and (ii) with the following universal property: For all (β_n) and B there is one and only one β that renders commutative the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & \bar{\varphi}_n & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \varinjlim A_n \\
 & \nearrow & & \nearrow & \uparrow \\
 \longrightarrow & A_n & \xrightarrow{\varphi_n} & A_{n+1} & \\
 & \searrow & & \searrow & \downarrow \\
 & & \beta_n & \xrightarrow{\quad} & B \\
 & & & & \uparrow \\
 & & & & \beta_{n+1}
 \end{array}$$

In general, the inductive limit does not exist in arbitrary categories.

Beweis: We define $\mathfrak{A} := \{(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mid x_n \in A_n, \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \forall n \geq N : x_{n+1} = \varphi_n x_n\}$, an equivalence relation on sequences via „ $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sim (y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ if there is a natural number N such that for all $n \geq N$ it holds $x_n = y_n$ “, a norm on $\mathfrak{A}/\sim$ via $\|[(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}]\| := \lim \|x_n\|_{A_n}$ for $[(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}] \in \mathfrak{A}/\sim$, $\varinjlim A_n := \mathfrak{A}/\sim / \{[(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}] \mid \|[(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}]\| = 0\}$ and $\bar{\varphi}_n(x) := [(0, \dots, 0, x, \varphi_n(x), \varphi_{n+1}(\varphi_n(x)), \dots)]$ for $x \in A_n$.

Then we have the following properties: „ $\sim$ “ is an equivalence relation, for a sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $N \in \mathbb{N}$ with $x_{n+1} = \varphi_n(x_n)$ for all $n \geq N$ it holds that for all $n \geq N$ we have $\|x_{n+1}\|_{A_{n+1}} = \|\varphi_n(x_n)\|_{A_{n+1}} \leq \|x_n\|_{A_n}$, i.e., $\lim \|x_n\|$ exists.

$\|\cdot\|$ is a C^* -seminorm on $\mathfrak{A}/\sim$, $\lim A_n$ is a C^* -algebra, $\overline{\varphi}_n(x) \in \lim A_n$ and $\overline{\varphi}_n: A_n \rightarrow \lim A_n$ is a $*$ -homomorphism.

Now to the construction of β : Let $[(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}] \in \lim A_n$, i.e., there is a natural number N such that for all $n \geq N$ it holds $x_{n+1} = \varphi_n(x_n)$. Thus for $n \geq N$ it also holds $\beta_n(x_n) = \beta_{n+1}(\varphi_n(x_n)) = \beta_{n+1}(x_{n+1})$. This allows us to define

$$\beta([(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}]) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n(x_n) = \beta_N(x_N),$$

and now it holds $\beta \overline{\varphi}_n = \beta_n$, the uniqueness can be seen from the diagrams.

For the uniqueness of $\lim A_n$: If we had two limits $\lim A_n, A'$, the universal properties of each of them granted that the homomorphisms β and β' were inverse isomorphisms, i.e., $\beta \circ \beta' = \text{id}_{\lim A_n}$.

For groups, we don't need norms and can do a similar construction. $\square$

Korollar V.2: *If we have a chain of C^* -algebras $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq A$, then $\lim A_n = \text{cl}(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n) \subseteq A$ is the direct limit where $\varphi_n: A_n \rightarrow A_{n+1}, x \mapsto x$.*

Beweis: We have to show that $\text{cl}(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n)$ has the universal property from Proposition V.1. Define $\beta: \text{cl}(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n) \rightarrow B$ via $\beta|_{A_n} = \beta_n$ and extend. $\square$

Proposition V.3: *Let (A_n, φ_n) be an inductive system.*

- (i) *For $x \in \lim A_n$ there is a sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $x_n \in \overline{\varphi}_{N_n}(A_{N_n})$ and $x_n \rightarrow x$, i.e., $\lim A_n = \text{cl}(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{\varphi}_n(A_n))$.*
- (ii) *If $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \beta_n(A_n) \subseteq B$ is dense, then β is surjective. If all β_n are injective, so is β .*
- (iii) *If all A_n are simple, so is $\lim A_n$.*
- (iv) *Also $\varphi_n^{(m)}: M_m(A_n) \rightarrow M_{m+1}(A_{n+1}), (a_{i,j}) \mapsto (\varphi_n(a_{i,j}))$ is an inductive system and $\lim M_m(A_n) = M_m(\lim A_n)$.*
- (v) *It holds $\widetilde{\lim A_n} = \lim \tilde{A}_n$.*

Beweis: (i) Let $x \in \lim A_n = \text{cl}_{\|\cdot\|}(\mathfrak{A}/\sim/\{\|[(x_n)]\| = 0\})$. Then there are sequences $(y^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathfrak{A}/\sim$ with $y^k \rightarrow x$ and $y^k = [(y_n^k)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}]$. For y^k there is

a natural number N_k such that for all $n \geq N_k$ it holds $y_{n+1}^k = \varphi_n y_n^k$. Put $x_k := \overline{\varphi}_{N_k}(y_{N_k}^k) \in \overline{\varphi}_{N_k}(A_{N_k})$. Then

$$x_k = [(0, \dots, 0, y_{N_k}^k, \varphi_{N_k} y_{N_k}^k, \varphi_{N_k+1} \varphi_{N_k} y_{N_k}^k, \dots)],$$

$$y^k = [(y_1^k, \dots, y_{N_k-1}^k, y_{N_k}^k, \varphi_{N_k} y_{N_k}^k, \varphi_{N_k+1} \varphi_{N_k} y_{N_k}^k, \dots)],$$

i.e., $x_k = y^k \rightarrow x$.

(ii) Since $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \beta_n(A_n) \subseteq \beta(\lim A_n)$ and $\beta(\lim A_n)$ is closed, β is surjective.

If all β_n are injective, we have: If $0 = \beta([(x_n)]) = \beta_N(x_N)$, then $x_N = 0$ since β_N is injective and thus

$$[(x_n)] = [(x_1, \dots, x_N, \varphi_N x_N, \varphi_{N+1} \varphi_N x_N, \dots)] = [0].$$

Assertions (iii) - (v) are left as exercises for the reader. $\square$

Definition V.4: Let (A_n, φ_n) be an inductive system where all A_n are finite-dimensional. Then $\lim A_n$ is called an *approximately finite-dimensional algebra*.

Beispiel V.5: (i) The family $(M_n(\mathbb{C}))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $M_n(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow M_{n+1}(\mathbb{C}), x \mapsto x$ has inductive limit $\lim M_n(\mathbb{C}) = K(H)$, where H is a separable Hilbert space over $\mathbb{C}$.

(ii) The family $(M_{2n}(\mathbb{C}))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with the inclusions

$$M_n(\mathbb{C}) \longrightarrow M_{2n}(\mathbb{C}), \quad x \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix}$$

has inductive limit $\lim M_{2n}(\mathbb{C}) =: M_{2\infty}(\mathbb{C})$, a so-called UHF algebra.

Eigenschaft V.6: The functor K_0 is continuous, i.e., it holds

$$K_0(\varinjlim_{\varphi_n} A_n) \cong \varinjlim_{K_0(\varphi_n)} K_0(A_n).$$

Beweis: We are in the situation

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \psi_n & \longrightarrow & \lim K_0(A_n) \\ & & \nearrow & & \uparrow \psi_{n+1} \\ \longrightarrow & K_0(A_n) & \xrightarrow{K_0(\varphi_n)} & A_{n+1} & \\ & & \searrow & & \downarrow \beta \\ & & K_0(\overline{\varphi}_{n+1}) & \longrightarrow & K_0(\lim A_n) \\ & & \nwarrow & & \\ & & K_0(\overline{\varphi}_n) & \longrightarrow & \end{array}$$

Making the simplifying assumptions that all A_n are unital and that all $\overline{\varphi}_n$ are injective, we have $\lim A_n = \text{cl} \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$.

Let $([p], [1_n])^\bullet \in K_0(\lim A_n)$ where

$$p \in M_k(\lim A_n) = \lim M_k(A_n) = \text{cl} \left(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} M_k A_n \right)$$

is a projection. Then there is $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, where $x_n \in M_k A_n$, such that $x_n \rightarrow p$. Put $h_n := x_n^* x_n$; then $h_n \rightarrow p^* p = p$ and $h_n^2 - h_n \rightarrow p^2 - p = 0$, i.e., there is some natural number N and some $0 \leq h \in M_k(A_N)$ with $\|p - h\| < 1/2$ and $\|h^2 - h\| < 1/4$. Consider the function

$$f: [0, 1/2) \cup (1/2, 3/2] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad f(t) := \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t \in [0, 1/2), \\ 1, & \text{if } t \in (1/2, 3/2]. \end{cases}$$

Then $\|\text{id} - f\|_\infty \leq 1/2$. We have $1/2 \notin \text{Sp } h \subseteq [0, 3/2]$ since $\|h\| \leq \|h - p\| + \|p\| \leq 1/2 + 1$ and $h \geq 0$ and $\|\text{id}_{\text{Sp } h}^2 - \text{id}_{\text{Sp } h}\|_\infty = \|h^2 - h\| < 1/4$.

Hence, f is continuous on $\text{Sp } h$ and $q := f(h) \in M_k(A_N)$ is a projection with $\|p - q\| \leq \|p - h\| + \|h - f(h)\| < 1/2 + 1/2 = 1$, thus by (II.5), $p \sim_{U_0} q$ and thus by (II.6), $p \sim q$.

Thus $K_0(\overline{\varphi}_N)([q], [1_n])^\bullet = ([q], [1_n])^\bullet = ([p], [1_n])^\bullet$ and thus β is surjective.

Assume $\beta([p], [1_n])^\bullet = \beta([q], [1_m])^\bullet \in K_0(\lim A_n)$. Then, by (IV.13), we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1_{m+k} \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} q & \\ & 1_{n+k} \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus, by II.6 and II.7 there is some unitary $u \in M_r \lim A_n$ with $\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim_U \begin{pmatrix} q & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. By functional calculus as above there is some unitary $u' \in M_r A_N$ such that $\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim_U \begin{pmatrix} q & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, hence by IV.13 we conclude $([p], [1_n])^\bullet = ([q], [1_m])^\bullet$. $\square$

Eigenschaft V.7: The functor K_0 is stable, i.e., $K_0(A \otimes K) \cong K_0(A)$, where $K = K(H)$ for some separable Hilbert space.

Beweis: We can consider the sequences

$$\dots \longrightarrow M_n(\mathbb{C}) \longrightarrow M_{n+1}(\mathbb{C}) \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow K$$

$$x \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dots \longrightarrow M_n(A) \longrightarrow M_{n+1}(A) \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow A \otimes K$$

$$x \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dots \longrightarrow K_0(M_n(A)) \longrightarrow K_0(M_{n+1}(A)) \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow K_0(A)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \\ \dots & \longrightarrow & K_0(A) & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & K_0(A) & \longrightarrow & \dots \longrightarrow K_0(A) \end{array}$$

□

Berechnung V.8: (i) $K_0(K) = K_0(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{Z}$,

(ii) For the family $(M_{2n}(\mathbb{C}))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ from Beispiel V.5 (ii) we have the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} K_0(M_2(\mathbb{C})) & \longrightarrow & K_0(M_4(\mathbb{C})) & \longrightarrow & K_0(M_8(\mathbb{C})) & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong & & \\ \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{.2} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{.2} & \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{.2} & \dots \end{array}$$

and thus $K_0(M_{2^\infty}(\mathbb{C})) \cong \mathbb{Z}[1/2]$, where

$$\mathbb{Z}[1/2] := \{m/2^k \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}, k \in \mathbb{N}\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}.$$

(iii) For a separable Hilbert space H , we have $K_0(B(H)) = \{0\}$.

To see this, let $p \in M_n(B(H)) = B(H^n)$ be a projection. Then $p = \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in $M_{n+1}(B(H))$, but $\begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ since both are infinite projections. Hence $[p] + [\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}] = [\begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}] = [\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}]$, hence

$$([p], [q])^\bullet = ([p] + [\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}], [q] + [\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}])^\bullet = ([\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}], [\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}])^\bullet = 0.$$

(iv) If M is a factor of type I_∞ , II_∞ or III , then $K_0(M) = 0$ as in (iii). Adding $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ yields equivalent infinite projections.

(v) If M is a factor of type I_2 , then $K_0(M) = \mathbb{R}$. We have the dimension function $D: \{\text{projections in } M\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and thus a function

$$D^*: H(M) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad [p] \longmapsto D_n(p),$$

where $p \in M_n(M)$ is a projection, which is well-defined since „If $p \sim q$, then $D_n(p) = D_n(q)$ “ holds by construction and it is a semigroup homomorphism, since

$$D^*([p] + [q]) = D^*([p' + q']) = D^*([p']) + D^*([q']) = D^*([p]) + D^*([q]).$$

By the universal property there is one and only one group homomorphism $\alpha: K_0(M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\alpha([p], [q])^\bullet = D^*([p]) - D^*([q]).$$

This map α is surjective, since for $r \in \mathbb{R}$ there are some natural number n and $t \in [0, D(1)]$ such that $nt = |r|$. For said t , we find a projection p_t with $D(p_t) = t$ and thus $D^*([\text{diag}(p_t, \dots, p_t)]) = n$ and $D(p_t) = |r|$. Now

$$\alpha([\text{diag}(p_t, \dots, p_t)], 0)^\bullet = |r|, \quad \alpha(0, [\text{diag}(p_t, \dots, p_t)])^\bullet = -|r|.$$

This map α is injective, since we can calculate

$$D_n(p) - D_n(q) = \alpha([p], [q])^\bullet = \alpha([r], [s])^\bullet = D_n(r) - D_n(s),$$

i.e., $D_n(p' + s') = D_n(r' + q')$ and thus $p' + s' \sim r' + q'$. Hence we have

$$([p], [q])^\bullet = ([p] + [s], [q] + [s])^\bullet = ([p' + s'], [q] + [s])^\bullet = ([q] + [r], [q] + [s])^\bullet = ([r], [s])^\bullet.$$

Satz V.9: *Let A and B be approximately finite-dimensional algebras. Then $A \cong B$ holds if and only if*

$$(K_0(A), K_0^+(A), \Gamma(A)) \cong (K_0(B), K_0^+(B), \Gamma(B)).$$

Here, $K_0^+(A) = H(A)$ ordered per $[p] \leq [q]$ if and only if $p \sim q' \leq q$ and $\Gamma(A) = \{[p] \mid p \text{ is a projection in } A\}$.

Beispiel V.10: We have $K_0(M_n(\mathbb{C})) = \mathbb{Z}$, $K_0^+(M_n(\mathbb{C})) = \mathbb{N}$, $\Gamma(M_n(\mathbb{C})) = \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $M_2(\mathbb{C}) \not\cong M_4(\mathbb{C})$ due to Γ .

Kapitel VI.

Half exactness and split exactness of K_0

Definition VI.1: Let $\dots \longrightarrow A_n \xrightarrow{\varphi_n} A_{n+1} \xrightarrow{\varphi_{n+1}} \dots$ be a system of objects and morphisms.

- (i) The sequence is exact, if for all natural numbers n it holds $\ker \varphi_{n+1} = \operatorname{im} \varphi_n$,
- (ii) The sequence $0 \longrightarrow I \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\pi} B \longrightarrow 0$ is exact if and only if ι is injective, π is surjective and $\ker \pi = \operatorname{im} \iota$; then called a *short exact sequence*.
- (iii) The sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow I \xrightarrow{\iota} A \begin{smallmatrix} \xleftarrow{\varphi} \\ \xrightarrow[\pi]{} \end{smallmatrix} B \longrightarrow 0$$

is *split exact*, if in addition $\pi \circ \varphi = \operatorname{id}_B$. The map φ is then called *split (map)*.

Lemma VI.2: The sequence $0 \longrightarrow I \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\pi} B \longrightarrow 0$ is a short exact sequence of C^* -algebras if and only if $I \triangleleft A$ and $B \cong A/I$.

Beweis: If ι is injective, we have $I \subseteq A$ and $I = \operatorname{im} \iota = \ker \pi \triangleleft A$, thus, as π is surjective, $B \cong A/\ker \pi = A/I$. $\square$

Lemma VI.3: If $0 \longrightarrow I \xrightarrow{\iota} A \begin{smallmatrix} \xleftarrow{\varphi} \\ \xrightarrow[\pi]{} \end{smallmatrix} B \longrightarrow 0$ is a split exact sequence of abelian groups, then $A \cong I \oplus B$.

Beweis: The map $\alpha: I \oplus B \rightarrow A$, $(x, y) \mapsto \iota(x) + \varphi(y)$ is a group homomorphism. The homomorphism α is injective, since if $\alpha(x, y) = 0$, then $y = \pi(\iota(x) + \varphi(y)) = 0$, i.e., $\iota(x) = 0$. Since ι is injective, this means $x = 0$ and thus $(x, y) = 0$.

Furthermore α is surjective: Let $z \in A$. If we put $x := z - \varphi(\pi(z)) \in \ker(\pi) = \text{im}(\iota)$ and $y := \pi(z) \in B$, then $\alpha(\iota^{-1}(x), y) = z$. $\square$

Bemerkung VI.4: The statement in Lemma VI.3 does not hold for C^* -algebras, i.e., $A \not\cong I \oplus B$. For instance

$$0 \longrightarrow A \longrightarrow \tilde{A} \xleftarrow{\quad} \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow 0$$

but $\tilde{A} \not\cong A \oplus \mathbb{C}$.

Lemma VI.5: *If the sequence $0 \longrightarrow I \longrightarrow A \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow 0$ is an exact sequence of groups, then it is also split exact*

Beweis: For $1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ we find $b \in A$ with $\pi(b) = 1$. Put $\varphi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow A$, $n \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^n b$ (or $n \mapsto \sum_{i=0}^{-n} (-b)$ if $n < 0$). $\square$

Eigenschaft VI.6 (K_0 is half-exact): If $0 \longrightarrow I \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\pi} B \longrightarrow 0$ is a short exact sequence of C^* -algebras, then

$$K_0 I \xrightarrow{K_0(\iota)} K_0(A) \xrightarrow{K_0(\pi)} K_0(B)$$

is an exact sequence of groups, i.e., $\ker K_0(\pi) = \text{im } K_0(\iota)$.

Beweis: „ $\subseteq$ “: Since $\pi \circ \iota = 0$ and K_0 is a functor, we have $\text{im } K_0(\iota) \subseteq \ker K_0(\pi)$.

„ $\supseteq$ “: Let $([p], [1_n])^\bullet \in K_0(A)$ with $K_0(\pi)([p], [1_n])^\bullet = ([\pi(p)], [1_n])^\bullet = 0$. Via IV.13, there is some natural number k such that $(\pi(p)_{1_k}) \sim 1_{n+k}$. Put $p' := (p_{1_k}) \in M_N(\tilde{A})$, then $\pi(p') \sim 1_{n+k} \in M_N(\tilde{B})$. By II.6 and II.7, we find $u \in U_0(M_{2N}(\tilde{B}))$ with $u\pi(p')u^* = 1_{n+k}$ and since π is surjective, via I.4 we find $w \in U_0(M_{2N}(\tilde{A}))$ such that $\pi(w) = u$.

Now $\pi(wp'w^* - 1_{n+k}) = u\pi(p')u^* - 1_{n+k} = 0$, hence $wp'w^* - 1_{n+k} \in \ker \pi = \text{im } \iota$. Thus there are $a, b \in \tilde{I}$ with $\iota(a) = wpw' - 1_{n+k}$, $\iota(b) = 1_{n+k}$. Put $q := a + b \in \tilde{I}$. Then $\iota(q) = wp'w^*$, where q is a projection, since $\iota(q)$ is a projection and ι is injective. We thus can calculate

$$([p], [1_n])^\bullet = ([p'], [1_{n+k}])^\bullet = ([\iota(q)], [1_{n+k}])^\bullet \in \text{im } K_0(\iota). \quad \square$$

Eigenschaft VI.7 (K_0 is split exact): If

$$0 \longrightarrow I \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xleftarrow[\pi]{\varphi} B \longrightarrow 0$$

is a split exact sequence of C^* -algebras, then

$$0 \longrightarrow K_0 I \xrightarrow{K_0 \iota} K_0 A \xleftarrow[\pi]{K_0 \varphi} K_0 B \longrightarrow 0$$

is split exact, i.e., $K_0 A = K_0 I \oplus K_0 B$.

Beweis: Since $K_0(\pi) \circ K_0(\varphi) = K_0(\text{id}) = \text{id}_{K_0 B}$, $K_0(\varphi)$ is a split and $K_0(\pi)$ is surjective. Hence, by Eigenschaft VI.6, we need to show that $K_0(\iota)$ is injective.

Let therefore $([p], [1_n])^\bullet \in K_0(I)$ with $K_0([p], [1_n])^\bullet = 0$ and $p \in M_M \tilde{I}$, i.e., $p - 1_n \in M_M I$. By IV.13, there is some natural number k such that $(\begin{smallmatrix} \iota(p) \\ 1_k \end{smallmatrix}) \sim 1_{n+k}$. Put $p' := (\begin{smallmatrix} p \\ 1_k \end{smallmatrix}) \in M_M(\tilde{I})$; then $\iota(p') \sim 1_{n+k}$.

By II.6 and II.7, there is some $u \in U_0(M_{2M} \tilde{A})$ with $u\iota(p')u^* = 1_{n+k}$. Put $v := \varphi\pi u^*u \in M_{2M}(\tilde{A})$ with $\pi(v) = 1$. Then $v - 1 \in \ker \pi = \text{im } \iota$, i.e., we have $w \in M_{2M}(\tilde{I})$ with $\iota(w) = v$ (in fact there is $w_0 \in M_{2M} \tilde{I}$ with $\iota(w_0) = v - 1$; put $w := w_0 + 1$).

Since v is a unitary and ι is injective, also w is unitary and

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi \circ \iota)(p') &= (\pi \circ \iota) \left(\begin{pmatrix} p & \\ & 1_k \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1_n & \\ & 1_k \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &= (\pi \circ \iota)(p - 1_n) + (\pi \circ \iota)(1_{n+k}) = 0 + 1_{n+k}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\iota(wp'w^*) = v\iota(p')v^* = \varphi\pi(u^*)u\iota(p')u^*\varphi\pi(u) = \varphi\pi(u^*1_{n+k}u) = \varphi\pi\iota(p') = \varphi(1_{n+k}) = \iota(1_{n+k})$, which means —since ι is injective— that $wp'w^* = 1_{n+k}$, hence $(\begin{smallmatrix} p \\ 1_k \end{smallmatrix}) \sim 1_{n+k}$. By IV.13, we then get $([p], [1_n])^\bullet = 0$ in $K_0 I$. $\square$

Berechnung VI.8: Let $A := \{f \in C([0, 1], M_n(\mathbb{C})) \mid f(1) \in D_n \subseteq M_n(\mathbb{C})\} \subseteq C([0, 1], M_n(\mathbb{C}))$, where D_n denotes the square matrices whose non-diagonal entries are zero. Then A is a C^* -algebra since it is a closed $*$ -subalgebra. The sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow C_0([0, 1], M_n(\mathbb{C})) \longrightarrow A \overset{\hookrightarrow}{\longleftarrow} D_n \longrightarrow 0$$

is split-exact, thus

$$K_0(A) = K_0(C_0([0, 1], M_n(\mathbb{C}))) \oplus K_0(D_n) = K_0 \oplus K_0(\mathbb{C}^n) = \{0\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}^n.$$

Kapitel VII.

K_1

Definition VII.1: Let $U^\infty(\tilde{A}) := \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U(M_n \tilde{A})$,

$$U(M_n(\tilde{A})) \hookrightarrow U(M_{n+1}\tilde{A}), \quad x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

and $U_0^\infty(\tilde{A}) := \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_0(M_n \tilde{A})$. Then $u \sim v$ if $v^*u \in U_0^\infty \tilde{A}$ defines an equivalence relation on $U^\infty(\tilde{A})$ and we call $K_1(A) := U^\infty(\tilde{A})/U_0^\infty(\tilde{A})$.

Lemma VII.2: *The following are equivalent:*

- (i) $[u] = [v]$,
- (ii) *There is some natural number n and there are $u, v \in M_n \tilde{A}$ with $u \sim_h v$ in $U_0(M_n \tilde{A})$ (i.e., $\gamma_t \in M_n \tilde{A}$).*
- (iii) $u \sim_h v$ in $U^\infty(\tilde{A})$ (i.e., $\gamma_t \in M_{n_t} \tilde{A}$).

The set $K_1(A)$ turns into an abelian group via $[u][v] := [uv]$, $[u]^{-1} = [u^*]$, $e = [1]$.

Beweis: „(i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii)“: If $[u] = [v]$, then $v^*u \in U_0^\infty \tilde{A}$, i.e., $v^*u \in U_0(M_n \tilde{A})$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence, there is a path (γ_t) in $U(M_n \tilde{A})$ with $\gamma_0 = v^*u$, $\gamma_1 = 1$. Put $\tilde{\gamma}_t := v\gamma_t$. Then $\tilde{\gamma}_0 = u$, $\tilde{\gamma}_1 = v$, hence $u \sim_h v$ in $M_n \tilde{A}$.

„(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i)“: For (γ_t) in $U(M_n \tilde{A})$ with $\gamma_0 = u$ and $\gamma_1 = v$, put $\tilde{\gamma}_t = v^*\gamma_t$, thus $v^*u \sim_h 1$ and hence $[u] = [v]$.

„(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (iii)“ is clear.

For „(iii) $\Rightarrow$ (ii)“ let (γ_t) in $U(M_{n_t} \tilde{A})$ with $\gamma_0 = u$ and $\gamma_1 = v$. Choose a partition $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n =$ with $\|\gamma_{t_{i+1}} - \gamma_{t_i}\| < 2$. By I.4, we have $u = \gamma_{t_0} \sim_h \gamma_{t_1} \sim_h \dots \sim_h \gamma_{t_n} = v$ via a new path in $U(M_{\max\{n_{t_0}, \dots, n_{t_n}\}} \tilde{A})$.

Finally, we want to show that $K_1(A)$ is an abelian group. We have by Lemma I.6 that

$$[u][v] = \left[\begin{pmatrix} uv & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \left[\begin{pmatrix} vu & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] = [v][u]. \quad \square$$

Eigenschaft VII.3: K_1 is a functor and it is homotopy invariant.

Beweis: The homotopy invariance is clear by Lemma VII.2. If we have a morphism $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$, we get a homomorphism $\tilde{\varphi}: \tilde{A} \rightarrow \tilde{B}$ and thus homomorphisms $U^\infty \tilde{A} \rightarrow U^\infty \tilde{B}$ and $U_0^\infty \tilde{A} \rightarrow U_0^\infty \tilde{B}$, i.e., a morphism $K_1(A) \rightarrow K_1(B)$. $\square$

Definition VII.4: Let A be a C^* -algebra. Then $SA := C_0((0, 1), A) := A(0, 1)$, where $C_0((0, 1), A)$ is the set of continuous functions $f: (0, 1) \rightarrow A$ with $f(0) = f(1) = 0$, is called *suspension* of A .

Lemma VII.5: The suspension S is a functor, i.e., if $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$ is a $*$ -homomorphism, then $S_\varphi: SA \rightarrow SB$ defined via

$$S_\varphi(f)(t) := \varphi(f(t))$$

is a $*$ -homomorphism with $S_{\varphi \circ \psi} = S_\varphi \circ S_\psi$.

Lemma VII.6:

- (i) $\widetilde{SA} = \{f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \tilde{A} \mid f = \lambda 1 + g, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}, g \in SA\}$, i.e., $SA = \mathbb{C}1$.
- (ii) $M_n(\widetilde{SA}) = \{f: [0, 1] \rightarrow M_n \tilde{A} \mid f = x + g, x \in M_n(\mathbb{C}), g \in M_n(SA)\}$.

Satz VII.7: It holds $K_0(SA) \cong K_1(A)$.

Beweis: (1) Construction of $\alpha: K_1(A) \rightarrow K_0(SA)$: Let $u \in U(M_n \tilde{A})$. Hence, by Lemma I.6, $\begin{pmatrix} u & \\ & u^* \end{pmatrix} \sim_h 1$ via a path $(\gamma_t)_{t \in [0, 1]}$ of unitaries. Put

$$p: [0, 1] \longrightarrow M_{2n}(\tilde{A}), \quad t \longmapsto \gamma_t \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \gamma_t^*;$$

this gives a path of projections with $p(0) = p(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, hence $p \in M_{2n}(\widetilde{SA})$. Now put $\alpha([u]) := ([p], [1_n])^\bullet \in K_0(SA)$.

(2) Construction of $\beta: K_0(SA) \rightarrow K_1(A)$: Let $([p], [1_n])^\bullet \in K_0(SA)$, hence $p \in M_m \widetilde{SA}$ is a projection and without loss of generality, $p(0) = p(1) = 1_n$. Thus, $p(0) \sim_h p(1)$ via $(p(t))_{t \in [0, 1]}$. By II.6, there is some unitary $w \in M_m(\widetilde{SA})$ with $wp(0)w^* = p(1)$. Then $w \begin{pmatrix} 1_n & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} = wp(0) = p(1)w = \begin{pmatrix} 1_n & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} w$, i.e., $w = \begin{pmatrix} u & 0 \\ 0 & v \end{pmatrix}$. Put $\beta([p], [1_n])^\bullet := [u] \in K_1(A)$.

Now one can show that indeed α and β are inverse to each other as maps which gives the assertion. $\square$

Korollar VII.8: The functor K_1 has the same properties as K_0 .

Berechnung VII.9: (i) $K_1(\mathbb{C}) = U^\infty(\mathbb{C})/U_0^\infty(\mathbb{C}) = \{0\}$ (in Lemma I.5, we have already shown that $U(M_n(\mathbb{C})) = U_0(M_n(\mathbb{C}))$).

(ii) Let M be a von Neumann-algebra. Then $K_1(M) = 0$ (if $u \in M$ is a unitary, then $u = \exp(ih)$ for some selfadjoint h by the measurable functional calculus and $\gamma_t := \exp(i th)$ does the trick).

(iii) $K_1(C(\mathbb{S}^1)) = \mathbb{Z}$, since the sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & C(\mathbb{S}^1 - \{1\}) & \longrightarrow & C(\mathbb{S}^1) & \xleftarrow{\text{constant fcts.}} & \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & & & f & \longmapsto & f(1) \end{array}$$

is exact and thus, by Eigenschaft VI.7, we have

$$K_0(C(\mathbb{S}^1)) = K_0(SC) \oplus K_0(\mathbb{C}) = K_1(\mathbb{C}) \oplus K_0(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{Z}.$$

(iv) As a small overview over our recent accomplishments and future goals:

	K_0	K_1
$\bigoplus_{i=1}^k M_{n_i}(\mathbb{C})$	$\mathbb{Z}^k$	0
$K(H)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0
Approximately finite-dimensional algebras	depends	0
$C([0, 1])$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0
$A[0, 1]$	$K_0(A)$	$K_1(A)$
$C_0((0, 1])$	0	0
CA	0	0
$C_0((0, 1))$	0	?
SA	$K_1(A)$	?
Type I_∞ , II_∞ , III factors	0	0
Type II_1 factors	$\mathbb{R}$	0
$\{f \in C([0, 1], M_n(\mathbb{C})) \mid f(1) \text{ diag}\}$	$\mathbb{Z}^n$	0
$C(\mathbb{S}^1)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	?
$Q(H) = B(H)/K(H)$	?	?

Kapitel VIII.

Long exact sequences

Definition VIII.1: Let A be a C^* -algebra and X be a locally compact space. Then we denote $AX := C_0(X, A)$.

Lemma VIII.2: The „ X -functor“ is exact, i.e., if $0 \rightarrow I \xrightarrow{\iota} A \xrightarrow{\pi} B \rightarrow 0$ is exact, then $0 \rightarrow IX \rightarrow AX \rightarrow BX \rightarrow 0$ is exact.

Beweis: The map $IX \hookrightarrow AX$, $f \mapsto (t \mapsto \iota(f(t)))$ is injective.

Now for $\ker \pi_X = \text{im } \iota_X$: Some function f is in the image of ι_X if and only if for all t it holds $f(t) \in \text{im } \iota = \ker \pi$, i.e., if and only if $f \in \ker \pi_X$.

For the surjectivity of π_X : Let $f \in C_0(X)$, $x \in B$ and $y \in A$ with $\pi(y) = x$ (this is possible because π is surjective). Put $g(t) := f(t)x$ and $h(t) := f(t)y$. Hence $g \in BX$, $h \in AX$ and $\text{im}(\pi_X) \ni \pi_X(h) = g$. By some partition of unity argument, we find that such functions g are linearly dense in BX which gives that $\pi_X(AX) \subseteq BX$ is dense, hence $\pi_X(AX) = BX$. $\square$

Definition VIII.3: Let A, B be C^* -algebras and $\alpha: A \rightarrow B$ be a $*$ -homomorphism. Then we put

$$C_\alpha := \{(x, y) \in A \oplus B([0, 1)) \mid \alpha(x) = y(0)\},$$

$$Z_\alpha := \{(x, y) \in A \oplus B([0, 1]) \mid \alpha(x) = y(0)\}.$$

The set C_α is called *mapping cone*, the set Z_α is called *mapping cylinder*.

Lemma VIII.4: Let $\alpha: A \rightarrow B$ be a $*$ -homomorphism.

(i) If α is surjective, then the sequences $0 \rightarrow \ker \alpha \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$ and

$$0 \longrightarrow \ker \alpha \longrightarrow C_\alpha \longrightarrow B([0, 1)) \longrightarrow 0$$

$$x \longmapsto (x, 0)$$

$$(x, y) \longmapsto y$$

are exact.

(ii) *If α is injective, then $C_\alpha \cong \{f \in B([0, 1)) \mid f(0) \in \alpha(A)\}$.*

(iii) *If α is surjective, then*

$$0 \longrightarrow SB \longrightarrow C_\alpha \longrightarrow A \longrightarrow 0$$

$$y \longmapsto (0, y)$$

$$(x, y) \longmapsto x$$

is exact.