

The proximality of the center of a quasicontral C^* -algebra

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Abstract. Let A be a quasicontral C^* -algebra and $Z(A)$ its center. If the maximal ideal space of $Z(A)$ is σ -compact and paracompact, then $Z(A)$ is a proximal subspace of A .

1. Banach 空間 X の部分空間 Y は、 X の各点から Y への距離を実現する Y の点があるとき、proximal であると言う。有限次元部分空間は常に proximal であるが、一般の部分空間が常に proximal であるとは限らない。今 X を C^* -環と言う具体的な Banach 空間に限って話しを進める。Akermann - Perderson - Tomiyama [1] は C^* -環の任意の閉両側イデアルは proximal であることを示した。また Olech [8] は単位的可換 C^* -環の任意の同じ単位元を含む C^* -部分環は proximal であることを示した。 C^* -環の中心への距離は内部微分的作用素ノルムと関連して、大事な概念であるが、Somerset [11] は C^* -環の中心の proximality に興味を持ち、単位的なある種の C^* -環の中心は proximal であることを示した。最近彼は [12] で任意の単位的 C^* -環の中心は proximal であることを示した。彼の手法は Glimm イデアルを用いて中心への距離をはかり、Stampfli [13] の作用素 Pythagorean relation をうまく利用して、Michael [7] の continuous selection theorem に持ち込むと言うものであった。しかし非単位的な場合は、一般には彼の手法をそのまま使うことはできない。そこで彼の手法を利用出来るような非単位的 C^* -環はないかと考えた。あるとき、Archbold [1] によって導入された擬中心的 C^* -環が、もしかしたらそのような C^* -環であろうと直観した。これはどんな原始イデアルも中心を含まないような C^* -環を言う (cf. [14])。我々は Somerset の手法を利用出来るように工夫し、先ず擬中心的 C^* -環の場合も、中心への距離が彼と同様な計算式で与えられることを示す。次に、その計算式及び Cohen [3] の factorization theorem を用い、彼の手法に沿って次の結果を示す。

定理。擬中心的 C^* -環の中心は、その極大イデアル空間が σ -コンパクト且つパラコンパクトであるとき、proximal である。

これは C^* -環が単位的であれば Somerset の定理そのものであることに注意する。またこれらの問題はもっと一般の Banach module で考えるべきではないかと考えている (cf. [15])。

2. 以後特に断わらない限り A を擬中心的 C^* -環、 $Z(A)$ をその中心、 $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ を $Z(A)$ の極大イデアル空間とする。各 $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$ に対して、 $\hat{e}_\varphi(\varphi) = 1$, $0 \leq \hat{e}_\varphi \leq 1$ なる $e_\varphi \in Z(A)$ を一つ選んでおく。ここに $\hat{}$ は Gelfand 変換を表す。 $\tilde{A} = A + C \cdot 1$ を A に単位元を添加して得られる C^* -環とする。このとき、容易な観察から、その中心 $Z(\tilde{A})$ は $Z(A) + C \cdot 1$ に等しいことが分かる。各 $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$ に対して、

$\tilde{\varphi}(x + \lambda \cdot 1) = \varphi(x) + \lambda$ ($x + \lambda \cdot 1 \in \tilde{A}$), 更に $\tilde{\omega}(x + \lambda \cdot 1) = \lambda$ ($x + \lambda \cdot 1 \in \tilde{A}$) とおいて、写像：
 $\varphi \rightarrow \tilde{\varphi}$ は $\Phi_{Z(A)} \cup \{0\}$ ($\subseteq A^*$) から $\Phi_{Z(\tilde{A})}$ への同相写像を与える。それ故 $\Phi_{Z(\tilde{A})}$ は
 $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ の 1 点コンパクト化と考えられる。次の定理は Cohen の Factorization
 Theorem と呼ばれるもので、本論の主要な手段の一つである。

3. Theorem (Cohen [3]). Let B be a Banach algebra with a left approximate identity bounded by $K \geq 1$ and let X be a left Banach B -module. Then for every $z \in X_e$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ there exist elements $a \in B$ and $y \in X$ such that $z = ay$, $|a| \leq K$, $y \in \overline{Bz}$, $|y - z| < \varepsilon$, where X_e is the closed linear subspace of X spanned by BX , which is called the essential part of X .

4. 各 $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$ に対して、 $G_\varphi = G_\varphi(A)$ を Glimm ideal, つまり、 $\text{Ker } \varphi$ の生成する A の両側イデアルとする。今 A を left Banach $\text{Ker } \varphi$ -module とみて、その essential part は Theorem 2 から $G_\varphi = \overline{G_\varphi} = (\text{Ker } \varphi)A$ となっている。

Lemma. $e_\varphi + G_\varphi$ is the identity element of A / G_φ .

Proof. Let $x \in A$. Since A is quasicentral, it follows that there exist $z \in Z(A)$ and $a \in A$ such that $x = za$ by Theorem 2. Therefore $e_\varphi z - z \in \text{Ker } \varphi \subseteq G_\varphi$ and hence $e_\varphi x - x = (e_\varphi z - z)a \in G_\varphi$. This means that $e_\varphi + G_\varphi$ is the identity element of A / G_φ . Q. E. D.

5. 次は [9, Theorem 2.7.5] の直接の結果である。但し $\text{Prim } A$ は A の原始イデアル全体のつくる構造空間を表す。

Lemma. The mapping :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Prim } A & \rightarrow & \Phi_{Z(A)} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ P & \rightarrow & \varphi_P \end{array} \quad (\text{Ker } \varphi_P = P \cap \text{Ker } \varphi)$$

is continuous and surjective.

In particular, $\bigcap_{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}} G_\varphi = \{0\}$ and hence, $|x| = \sup_{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}} |x + G_\varphi|$ for all $x \in A$.

6. \hat{A} を A のゼロでない既約表現の同値類のクラスとする (Jacobson 位相から導かれる位相を入れたものを、 A のスペクトラムと呼ぶ。) $\pi \in \hat{A}$ に対して、 $\tilde{\pi}(x + \lambda \cdot 1) = \pi(x) + \lambda I_{H_\pi}$, $\omega(x + \lambda \cdot 1) = \lambda I_C$ とおいて、 $(\tilde{A})^\wedge = \{\tilde{\pi} : \pi \in \hat{A}\} \cup \{\omega\}$ である。

7. Lemma. $\lambda e_\varphi + G_\varphi = \lambda \cdot 1 + G_\varphi$ ($\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$).

Proof. Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$. Then $\tilde{\varphi}(\lambda e_\varphi) = \varphi(\lambda e_\varphi) = \lambda = \tilde{\varphi}(\lambda \cdot 1)$ and hence $\lambda e_\varphi - \lambda \cdot 1 \in \text{Ker } \tilde{\varphi} \subseteq G_\varphi$. Q. E. D.

8. Lemma. $|x + G_\varphi| = |x + G_{\tilde{\varphi}}|$ for all $x \in A$ and $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$.

Proof. Let $x \in A$ and $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$. Note that $G_\varphi \neq A$. In fact, if $G_\varphi = A$, then $Z(A) \subseteq G_\varphi$. By Lemma 5, there exists $P \in \text{Prim } A$ such that $P \cap Z(A) = \text{Ker } \varphi$ and hence $\text{Ker } \varphi \subseteq P$, so $A = G_\varphi \subseteq P$, a contradiction. Therefore there exists an element $\rho \in (A/G_\varphi)^\wedge$ such that $|\rho(x + G_\varphi)| = |x + G_\varphi|$ (see [4, Lemma 3.3.6]). But there exists a unique element $\pi \in \hat{A}$ such that $G_\varphi \subseteq \text{Ker } \pi$ and $\rho(a + G_\varphi) = \pi(a)$ for all $a \in A$. We assert that $G_\varphi \subseteq \text{Ker } \tilde{\pi}$. In fact, for each $z \in Z(A)$, we can find a unique complex number $f(z)$ such that $\pi(z) = f(z)I_{H_\pi}$, since π is irreducible. Then f is a homomorphism. Also $f \neq 0$. If not, then $Z(A) \subseteq \text{Ker } \pi$ and this contradicts the quas centrality of A . Thus $f \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$. Moreover, $\text{Ker } f \subseteq \text{Ker } \pi \cap Z(A) \in \text{Prim } Z(A)$ and so $\text{Ker } f = \text{Ker } \pi \cap Z(A)$. But $\text{Ker } \varphi \subseteq G_\varphi \subseteq \text{Ker } \pi$ and so $\text{Ker } \varphi = \text{Ker } \pi \cap Z(A)$. Thus $\text{Ker } \varphi = \text{Ker } f$, so $\varphi = f$. Therefore if $z + \lambda \cdot 1 \in \text{Ker } \tilde{\varphi}$, then

$$\tilde{\pi}(z + \lambda \cdot 1) = \pi(z) + \lambda I_{H_\pi} = \varphi(z)I_{H_\pi} + \lambda I_{H_\pi} = \tilde{\varphi}(z + \lambda \cdot 1)I_{H_\pi} = 0,$$

so that $z + \lambda \cdot 1 \in \text{Ker } \tilde{\pi}$. Then $\text{Ker } \tilde{\varphi} \subseteq \text{Ker } \tilde{\pi}$ and hence $G_\varphi \subseteq \text{Ker } \tilde{\pi}$. It follows that

$$|x + G_\varphi| = |\pi(x)| = |\tilde{\pi}(x)| = |x + \text{Ker } \tilde{\pi}| \leq |x + G_\varphi|.$$

On the other hand, since $G_\varphi = (\text{Ker } \varphi)A \subseteq (\text{Ker } \tilde{\varphi})\tilde{A} = G_{\tilde{\varphi}}$, it follows that

$$|x + G_\varphi| \geq |x + G_{\tilde{\varphi}}|. \quad \text{Q. E. D.}$$

9. Lemma. Let $x \in A$ and $\lambda \in C$. Then the mapping : $\varphi \rightarrow |(x + \lambda e_\varphi) + G_\varphi|$ is upper semi-continuous on $\Phi_{Z(A)}$.

Proof. Let $x \in A$, $\lambda \in C$ and $\alpha > 0$, and set

$$G(\alpha, x, \lambda) = \{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)} : |(x + \lambda e_\varphi) + G_\varphi| < \alpha\}.$$

$$\tilde{G}(\alpha, x, \lambda) = \{\psi \in \Phi_{Z(\tilde{A})} : |(x + \lambda \cdot 1) + G_\psi| < \alpha\}.$$

Then $\tilde{G}(\alpha, x, \lambda)$ is an open subset of $\Phi_{Z(\tilde{A})}$ by [11, Proposition 1.1]. Also if $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |(x + \lambda \cdot 1) + G_\varphi| &= |(x + G_\varphi) + (\lambda \cdot 1 + G_\varphi)| \\ &= |(x + G_\varphi) + (\lambda e_\varphi + G_\varphi)| \quad (\text{by Lemma 7}) \\ &= |(x + \lambda e_\varphi) + G_\varphi| \\ &= |(x + \lambda e_\varphi) + G_\varphi| \quad (\text{by Lemma 8}). \end{aligned}$$

This implies that $(G(\alpha, x, \lambda))^\sim = \tilde{G}(\alpha, x, \lambda) \setminus \{\tilde{0}\}$ and hence $G(\alpha, x, \lambda)$ is an open subset of $\Phi_{Z(A)}$. Thus the mapping : $\varphi \rightarrow |(x + \lambda e_\varphi) + G_\varphi|$ is upper semi-continuous on $\Phi_{Z(A)}$.

Q. E. D.

10. Lemma. If A is quas central, then $G_\varphi \cap Z(A) = \text{Ker } \varphi$ for each $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$.

Proof. Assume that A is quascentral and let $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$. Choose $P \in \text{Prim } A$ such that $G_\varphi \subseteq P$. Then $G_\varphi \cap Z(A) \subseteq P \cap Z(A) \neq Z(A)$ by the quascentrality of A . But since $\text{Ker } \varphi \subseteq G_\varphi \cap Z(A)$, it follows that $\text{Ker } \varphi = G_\varphi \cap Z(A)$.

11. Lemma. Let $x \in A$ and $\alpha > 0$. Then $\{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)} : |x + G_\varphi| \geq \alpha\}$ is compact.

Proof. Let $x \in A$ and $\alpha > 0$. Set $K = \{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)} : |x + G_\varphi| \geq \alpha\}$. Let $\{F_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be a decreasing net of relatively closed non-empty subsets of K . For each $\lambda \in \Lambda$, set

$$J_\lambda = \bigcap_{\varphi \in F_\lambda} G_\varphi.$$

Also for each $\lambda \in \Lambda$, take an element φ_λ of F_λ and then

$$|x + J_\lambda| \geq |x + G_{\varphi_\lambda}| \geq \alpha. \tag{*}$$

Set $J = \overline{\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} J_\lambda}$. Since $\{J_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ is an increasing net of closed two-sided ideals of A , it follows that J is a closed two-sided ideal of A . Also (*) implies that $|x + J| \geq \alpha$. Since $\alpha > 0$, we have $x \notin J$ and hence A/J is non-zero C^* -algebra. By [4, Lemma 3.3.6], we can find $\rho \in (A/J)^\wedge$ such that $|\rho(x + J)| = |x + J|$. But there exists a unique element $\pi \in \hat{A}$ such that $J \subseteq \text{Ker } \pi$ and $\rho(a + J) = \pi(a)$ for all $a \in A$. Hence

$$|x + \text{Ker } \pi| = |\pi(x)| = |\rho(x + J)| = |x + J| \geq \alpha.$$

Choose $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$ such that $\text{Ker } \pi \cap Z(A) = \text{Ker } \varphi$. Since $G_\varphi \subseteq \text{Ker } \pi$, it follows that $|x + G_\varphi| \geq \alpha$ and so $\varphi \in K$. But since

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ker } \varphi &= \text{Ker } \pi \cap Z(A) \\ &\supseteq J \cap Z(A) \\ &\supseteq J_\lambda \cap Z(A) \\ &= \bigcap_{\psi \in F_\lambda} G_\psi \cap Z(A) \\ &= \bigcap_{\psi \in F_\lambda} \text{Ker } \psi \text{ (by Lemma 10)} \end{aligned}$$

for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$, it follows that $\varphi \in \overline{F_\lambda}$ for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$. Hence $\varphi \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \overline{F_\lambda}$ because each F_λ is relatively closed in K . We thus obtain that K is compact. Q. E. D.

12. Let X be a normed space and Y a subspace of X . For each $x \in X$, set

$$\pi_Y(x) = \{y \in Y : d(x, Y) \equiv \inf_{u \in Y} |x - u| = |x - y|\}.$$

We say that Y is proximal if $\pi_Y(x) \neq \emptyset$ for all $x \in A$. We also say that Y is Chebychev if $\pi_Y(x)$ consists of a single point for each $x \in A$.

13. Let T be an operator of the Banach space $B(H)$ consisting of all bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space H and set

$$W_0(T) = \{\lambda \in C : (T\xi_n, \xi_n) \rightarrow \lambda \text{ where } \|\xi_n\| = 1 \text{ and } \|T\xi_n\| \rightarrow \|T\|\}.$$

We call $W_0(T)$ the maximal numerical range of T .

Theorem (Stampfli [13]). The following three conditions are equivalent:

- (1) $0 \in W_0(T)$.
- (2) $|T|^2 + |\lambda|^2 \leq |T + \lambda M_H|^2$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.
- (3) $|T| \leq |T + \lambda M_H|$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

In particular, CI_H is a Chebyshev subspace of $B(H)$ and

$$|T - \pi_{CI_H}(T)|^2 + |\lambda M_H - \pi_{CI_H}(T)|^2 \leq |T - \lambda M_H|^2$$

for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

14. Theorem. Let A be a quasicentral C^* -algebra. If $x \in A$, then

$$d(x, Z(A)) = \sup_{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}} \left| (x + G_\varphi) - \pi_{C(e_\varphi + G_\varphi)}(x + G_\varphi) \right|.$$

Proof. Let $x \in A$ and α the value of the right side above. Then

$$\begin{aligned} |x - z| &\geq |x + G_\varphi - (z + G_\varphi)| \\ &= |x + G_\varphi - \hat{z}(\varphi)(e_\varphi + G_\varphi)| \\ &\geq |x + G_\varphi - \pi_{C(e_\varphi + G_\varphi)}(x + G_\varphi)| \end{aligned}$$

for all $z \in Z(A)$ and $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$. Hence $d(x, Z(A)) \geq \alpha$. To show the converse inequality, let $\varepsilon > 0$ and set $K = \{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)} : |x + G_\varphi| \geq \alpha + \varepsilon\}$. We consider two cases:

(i) $K = \emptyset$. Since $|x + G_\varphi| < \alpha + \varepsilon$ for all $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$, it follows that

$$d(x, Z(A)) \leq |x| = \sup_{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}} |x + G_\varphi| \leq \alpha + \varepsilon$$

and hence $d(x, Z(A)) \leq \alpha$ as $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$.

(ii) $K \neq \emptyset$. By Lemma 11, K is a non-empty compact subset of $\Phi_{Z(A)}$. Let φ be any element of K . Then there exists a unique scalar λ_φ such that

$\pi_{C(e_\varphi + G_\varphi)}(x + G_\varphi) = \lambda_\varphi(e_\varphi + G_\varphi)$ since $C(e_\varphi + G_\varphi)$ is a Chebyshev subspace of A/G_φ by

Theorem 13. Set $z_\varphi = \lambda_\varphi e_\varphi$ and so $|(x - z_\varphi) + G_\varphi| \leq \alpha$. Also put

$$W_\varphi = \{\psi \in \Phi_{Z(A)} : |(x - z_\varphi) + G_\psi| < \alpha + \varepsilon\}.$$

Then $\varphi \in W_\varphi$ and W_φ is an open subset of $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ by Lemma 9. Thus W_φ is an open

neighbourhood of φ . Take a relative compact open neighbourhood U_φ of φ such that

$U_\varphi \subseteq W_\varphi$. Since K is compact, there exist elements $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n \in K$ such that $\bigcup_{i=1}^n U_{\varphi_i} \supseteq K$.

Let $\{f_1, \dots, f_n, f_\infty\}$ be a partition of the identity for the converging $\{U_{\varphi_1}, \dots, U_{\varphi_n}, \Phi_{Z(A)} \setminus K\}$.

Since each U_{φ_i} is relative compact, it follows that f_{φ_i} vanishes at infinity and hence there is an element $u_i \in Z(A)$ such that $f_i = \hat{u}_i$. Set

$$z = u_1 z_{\varphi_1} + \dots + u_n z_{\varphi_n}.$$

For any element ψ of $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| x + G_\psi - (z + G_\psi) \right| &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\psi)(x - z_{\varphi_i}) + G_\psi + f_\infty(\psi)x + G_\psi \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\psi) \left| (x - z_{\varphi_i}) + G_\psi \right| + f_\infty(\psi) \left| x + G_\psi \right|. \end{aligned}$$

If $\psi \in K$, then

$$\left| x + G_\psi - (z + G_\psi) \right| = \sum_{\psi \in U_{\varphi_i}} f_i(\psi) \left| (x - z_{\varphi_i}) + G_\psi \right| \leq \alpha + \varepsilon.$$

If also $\psi \notin K$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| x + G_\psi - (z + G_\psi) \right| &\leq \sum_{\psi \in U_{\varphi_i}} f_i(\psi) \left| (x - z_{\varphi_i}) + G_\psi \right| + f_\infty(\psi) \left| x + G_\psi \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{\psi \in U_{\varphi_i}} f_i(\psi) (\alpha + \varepsilon) + f_\infty(\psi) (\alpha + \varepsilon) \\ &\leq \alpha + \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that $|x - z| \leq \alpha + \varepsilon$ and hence $d(x, Z(A)) \leq |x - z| \leq \alpha$ as $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$. Q. E. D.

15. Theorem (Michael [7]). Let Ω be a paracompact T_1 -space and X a Banach space. Then every lower semi-continuous carrier for Ω to the family of non-empty, closed convex subsets of X admits a continuous selection.

16. Theorem. Let A be a quasicentral C^* -algebra and $Z(A)$ its center. Suppose that $Z(A)$ satisfies the following two conditions: (i) $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ is paracompact. (ii) there exists an element $v \in Z(A)$ such that $\hat{v}(\varphi) > 0$ for all $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$. Then $Z(A)$ is a proximal subspace of A .

Proof. Suppose $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ is paracompact and there exists an element $v \in Z(A)$ such that $\hat{v}(\varphi) > 0$ for all $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$. Let $x \in A$ and set $\alpha = d(x, Z(A))$. We can without loss of generality assume that $\alpha = 1$. By Theorem 3, we can find elements $u \in Z(A)$ and $a \in A$ such that $x = ua$ and $|u| \leq 1$. For each $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$, there exists a unique scalar λ_φ such that $\pi_{C(e_\varphi + G_\varphi)}(x + G_\varphi) = \lambda_\varphi(e_\varphi + G_\varphi)$ since $C(e_\varphi + G_\varphi)$ is a Chebychev subspace of A/G_φ by Theorem 13. Then $\left| (x - \lambda_\varphi e_\varphi) + G_\varphi \right| \leq 1$ by Theorem 14. Also

$$\left| \lambda_\varphi \right| \leq \left| x + G_\varphi \right| = \left| (u + G_\varphi)(a + G_\varphi) \right| = \left| \hat{u}(\varphi)(e_\varphi a + G_\varphi) \right| \leq \left| \hat{u}(\varphi) \right| \left| a \right|. \quad (1)$$

The first inequality follows from Theorem 13. Set

$$C_\varphi = \{ \lambda \in C : \left| (x - \lambda e_\varphi) + G_\varphi \right| \leq 1 \text{ and } |\lambda| \leq |a| \left| \hat{u}(\varphi) \right| + \hat{v}(\varphi) \}.$$

Then each C_φ is a non-empty, closed, convex subset of C . We prove that the set-valued map $\varphi \rightarrow C_\varphi$ is lower semi-continuous on $\Phi_{Z(A)}$. Let U be any open subset of C and set $\Phi = \{ \varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)} : C_\varphi \cap U \neq \emptyset \}$. To show that Φ is an open subset of $\Phi_{Z(A)}$, let φ_0 be any element of Φ . Choose $\lambda_0 \in C_{\varphi_0} \cap U$ and take an open ball $U(\lambda_0; \varepsilon)$ of radius

ε ($0 < \varepsilon < 1$) centered on λ_0 such that $U(\lambda_0; \varepsilon) \subseteq U$. Set

$$\Phi_0 = \{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)} : |(x - \lambda_0 e_\varphi) + G_\varphi| < 1 + \frac{\varepsilon^3}{8} \text{ and } |\lambda_0| < |a| |\hat{u}(\varphi)| + (1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}) \hat{v}(\varphi)\}.$$

Then $\varphi_0 \in \Phi_0$ since $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\hat{v}(\varphi_0) > 0$, and Φ_0 is open by Lemma 9. Let $\psi \in \Phi_0$ and put $\beta = 1 - |(x - \lambda_\psi e_\psi) + G_\psi|$ and so $0 \leq \beta \leq 1$ by Theorem 14. Also, Theorem 13 implies that

$$\left| (x + G_\psi) - \lambda_\psi (e_\psi + G_\psi) \right|^2 + |\lambda_0 - \lambda_\psi|^2 \leq \left| (x + G_\psi - \lambda_0 (e_\psi + G_\psi)) \right|^2 < \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon^3}{8} \right)^2,$$

and hence

$$|\lambda_0 - \lambda_\psi|^2 < \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon^3}{8} \right)^2 - (1 - \beta)^2 = \frac{\varepsilon^3}{4} + \frac{\varepsilon^6}{64} + 2\beta - \beta^2. \quad (2)$$

We consider two cases:

(i) $\beta < \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4}$. It follows from (2) that $|\lambda_0 - \lambda_\psi|^2 < \frac{\varepsilon^3}{4} + \frac{\varepsilon^6}{64} + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} < \frac{49}{64} \varepsilon^2$ and hence

$\lambda_\psi \in U(\lambda_0; \varepsilon)$. Also we have $|(x - \lambda_\psi e_\psi) + G_\psi| \leq 1$ by Theorem 14 and $|\lambda_\psi| \leq |\hat{u}(\psi)| |a|$ by (1), so that $\lambda_\psi \in C_\psi$. Then $\psi \in \Phi$.

(ii) $\beta \geq \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4}$. Set $\mu = (1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2})\lambda_0 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\lambda_\psi$. It follows from (2) that

$$|\lambda_0 - \mu|^2 = \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4} |\lambda_0 - \lambda_\psi|^2 \leq \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4} \left(\frac{\varepsilon^3}{4} + \frac{\varepsilon^6}{64} + 2\beta - \beta^2 \right) < \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4} \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{64} + 1 \right) = \frac{81}{256} \varepsilon^2,$$

and hence $\mu \in U(\lambda_0; \varepsilon)$. Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| (x - \mu e_\psi) + G_\psi \right| &\leq (1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}) \left| (x - \lambda_0 e_\psi) + G_\psi \right| + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \left| (x - \lambda_\psi e_\psi) + G_\psi \right| \\ &\leq (1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}) \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon^3}{8} \right) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} (1 - \beta) \quad (\text{since } \psi \in \Phi_0) \\ &< (1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}) \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon^3}{8} \right) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4} \right) \\ &= 1 - \frac{\varepsilon^4}{16} < 1. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} |\mu| &\leq (1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}) |\lambda_0| + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} |\lambda_\psi| \\ &< (1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}) \left(|a| |\hat{u}(\psi)| + (1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}) \hat{v}(\psi) \right) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} |a| |\hat{u}(\psi)| \quad (\text{since } \psi \in \Phi_0 \text{ and by (1)}) \\ &= |a| |\hat{u}(\psi)| + (1 - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4}) \hat{v}(\psi) \\ &< |a| |\hat{u}(\psi)| + \hat{v}(\psi). \end{aligned}$$

Then $\mu \in C_\psi$ and hence $\psi \in \Phi$.

This shows that Φ is an open subset of $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ and hence the set-valued map $\varphi \rightarrow C_\varphi$ is lower semi-continuous on $\Phi_{Z(A)}$. Since $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ is paracompact, it follows from Theorem 15 that we can find a continuous complex-valued function f on $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ such that $f(\varphi) \in C_\varphi$ for all $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$. Since $|f(\varphi)| \leq |a| |\hat{u}(\varphi)| + \hat{v}(\varphi)$ for all $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$, the function f vanishes

at infinity and so $f = \hat{z}$ for some $z \in Z(A)$. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} |x - z| &= \sup_{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}} \left| (x + G_\varphi) - (z + G_\varphi) \right| \\ &= \sup_{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}} \left| (x + G_\varphi) - (\hat{z}(\varphi)e_\varphi + G_\varphi) \right| \\ &= \sup_{\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}} \left| (x - f(\varphi)e_\varphi) + G_\varphi \right| \\ &\leq 1 \quad (\text{since } f(\varphi) \in C_\varphi \text{ for all } \varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have $|x - z| = d(x, Z(A))$. Q. E. D.

17. Remarks. (i) If $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ is connected, then $\Phi_{Z(A)} : \text{paracompact} \Leftrightarrow \Phi_{Z(A)} : \sigma\text{-compact}$.

(ii) If $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ is σ -compact, then there exists an element $v \in Z(A)$ such that $\hat{v}(\varphi) > 0$ for all $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$.

(iii) If $Z(A)$ is separable, then $\Phi_{Z(A)}$ is paracompact and there exists an element $v \in Z(A)$ such that $\hat{v}(\varphi) > 0$ for all $\varphi \in \Phi_{Z(A)}$.

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