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ABSTRACT. In this paper we analyze the Banach $*$ -algebra of time-frequency shifts with absolutely summable coefficients. We prove a noncommutative version of the Wiener lemma. We also construct a faithful tracial state on this algebra which implies the algebra contains no compact operators. As a corollary we obtain a special case of the Heil-Ramanathan-Topiwala conjecture regarding linear independence of finitely many time-frequency shifts of one L^2 function.

1. INTRODUCTION

The Time-Frequency representation of the Heisenberg group has received a lot of attention for the past 20 years with the advent of Gabor analysis. Many methods and techniques have been developed and a rich body of results has been obtained. For a nice account of such results we refer the reader to the excellent book [7].

For $t \in \mathbf{R}^d$ and $\omega \in \mathbf{R}^d$ we denote by S_t the time shift operator, by M_ω the frequency shift operator, and by $U_{t,\omega}$ the time-frequency shift operator defined, respectively, by:

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad & S_t : L^p(\mathbf{R}^d) \rightarrow L^p(\mathbf{R}^d) \quad , \quad S_t f(x) = f(x - t) \\ (2) \quad & M_\omega : L^p(\mathbf{R}^d) \rightarrow L^p(\mathbf{R}^d) \quad , \quad M_\omega f(x) = e^{i\omega x} f(x) \\ (3) \quad & U_{t,\omega} : L^p(\mathbf{R}^d) \rightarrow L^p(\mathbf{R}^d) \quad , \quad U_{t,\omega} f(x) = M_\omega S_t f(x) = e^{i\omega x} f(x - t) \end{aligned}$$

For a Banach space X , we let $B(X)$ denote the Banach space of bounded operators on X with the usual operator norm. Consider now the Banach algebra (see [19, 20] for definition and properties of Banach algebras) of time-frequency shifts on $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ with absolutely summable coefficients:

$$(4) \quad \mathcal{A} = \{T \in B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)) \mid T = \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} c_\lambda U_\lambda \text{ , } \|T\|_{\mathcal{A}} := \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} |c_\lambda| < \infty\}$$

Note the following: (i) for any $T \in \mathcal{A}$, the support $\text{supp}(T)$ of its generating sequence c , $\text{supp}(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^{2d} \text{ , } c_\lambda \neq 0\}$ is always a countable set; (ii) this support is not assumed to have any lattice structure.

Wiener's lemma states that if a periodic function f has an absolutely convergent Fourier series and never vanishes, then its reciprocal $1/f$ has also an absolutely convergent Fourier series. In Banach algebras language the same result can be restated as follows. Consider the Banach algebra

$$(5) \quad \mathcal{A}_W = \{T \in B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)) \mid T = \sum_{n \in \mathbf{Z}^d} c_n S_n \text{ , } \|T\|_{\mathcal{A}_W} := \sum_n |c_n|\}$$

which is a $*$ -subalgebra of $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. Then Wiener's lemma asserts that, if $T \in \mathcal{A}_W$ is invertible in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$, then $T^{-1} \in \mathcal{A}_W$. Such algebras are called *inverse closed* (see e.g. [9]).

Many generalizations of this result appeared in literature. We will mention here four extensions that set the context of our results.

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In the context of almost periodic functions, one obtains the following result. Consider the Banach algebra

$$(6) \quad \mathcal{A}_{AP} = \{T \in B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)) \mid T = \sum_{t \in \mathbf{R}^d} c_t S_t \mid \|T\|_{\mathcal{A}_{AP}} := \sum_{t \in \mathbf{R}^d} |c_t| < \infty\}$$

of absolutely summable linear combinations of arbitrary real shifts. Then using the Bohr compactification of \mathbf{R}^d and the Gelfand's method of proving Wiener's lemma ([17]), it follows that \mathcal{A}_{AP} is an inverse closed algebra in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. More explicitly, if $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda S_\lambda$ for some countable subset $\Lambda \subset \mathbf{R}^d$, and $\sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} |c_\lambda| < \infty$, then $T^{-1} = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} d_\sigma S_\sigma$, for some (in general) other countable subset $\Sigma \subset \mathbf{R}^d$, and absolutely summable complex coefficients $\sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} |d_\sigma| < \infty$. See also [23] for an extension to matrix valued almost periodic functions.

In the context of time-frequency analysis Gröchenig and Leinert [9] obtained a discrete noncommutative Wiener lemma as follows. Fix $\alpha, \beta > 0$ and a subexponential weight v (see section 2). We let $\mathcal{A}_{v;GL}(\alpha, \beta)$ denote the operator algebra

$$(7) \quad \mathcal{A}_{v;GL}(\alpha, \beta) = \{T \in B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)) \mid T = \sum_{k,l \in \mathbf{Z}^d} a_{k,l} S_{\alpha k} M_{\beta l} \mid \|T\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} := \|\mathbf{a}\|_{1,v} := \sum_{k,l \in \mathbf{Z}^d} v(k,l) |a_{k,l}|\}$$

where $\|\mathbf{a}\|_{1,v}$ is the v -weighted l^1 norm of \mathbf{a} . Then, using Ludwig's theorem on symmetric group algebras of nilpotent groups ([18]), the authors proved in [9] (Theorem 3.1) that $\mathcal{A}_{v;GL}(\alpha, \beta)$ is inverse closed in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. The algebra $\mathcal{A}_{v;GL}$ is naturally associated to the twisted convolution algebra $(l_v^1(\mathbf{Z}^{2d}), \#_\theta)$, where

$$(8) \quad (\mathbf{a} \#_\theta \mathbf{b})(m, n) = \sum_{k,l \in \mathbf{Z}^d} a_{k,l} b_{m-k, n-l} e^{2\pi i \theta (m-k) \cdot l}$$

In this setting, the above result is equivalent to saying (Theorem 2.14 in [9]), if $\mathbf{a} \in l_v^1(\mathbf{Z}^{2d})$ is so that the convolution operator $L_{\mathbf{a}} : l^2(\mathbf{Z}^{2d}) \rightarrow l^2(\mathbf{Z}^{2d})$, $\mathbf{x} \mapsto L_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a} \#_\theta \mathbf{x}$, is invertible in $B(l^2(\mathbf{Z}^{2d}))$, then its inverse is of the form $L_{\mathbf{a}}^{-1} = L_{\mathbf{b}}$ for some $\mathbf{b} \in l_v^1(\mathbf{Z}^{2d})$. The proof of their results rely heavily on fairly abstract results on group algebras of locally compact nilpotent groups ([18],[14]). As the authors point out, analyzing spectral properties of group algebras is not usually an easy business.

Again in the context of time-frequency analysis, Gröchenig in [8] translated a result by J.Sjöstrand [25] using the modulation space $M_v^{\infty,1}$. The operator algebra

$$(9) \quad \mathcal{S}_v = \{T \in B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)) \mid T = \int_{\mathbf{R}^{2d}} d\lambda \sigma(\lambda) U_\lambda, \quad \|T\|_{\mathcal{S}_v} := \|\sigma\|_{M_v^{\infty,1}} := \int_{\mathbf{R}^d} dq \sup_{p \in \mathbf{R}^d} |V_\gamma \sigma(q, p)| v(q, p)\}$$

is shown to be inverse closed in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$.

Another example of a full algebra is furnished by the Baskakov class of matrices that have some off-diagonal decay. In [4] Baskakov proves the Banach algebra:

$$(10) \quad B_v = \{A = (A_{m,n})_{m,n \in \mathbf{Z}^d} \in B(l^2(\mathbf{Z}^d)) \mid \|A\|_{B_v} := \sum_{k \in \mathbf{Z}^d} v(k) \sup_{m \in \mathbf{Z}^d} |A_{m, m-k}| < \infty\}$$

with v a subexponential weight is inverse closed and also obtains estimates of the entries of the inverse matrix. The unweighted version of this result had been proved in [6] as reported to me by T.Strohmer [27]. These results have been obtained also independently by Gröchenig and Leinert in [10] using a Banach algebra technique. In [3] we used Baskakov's result to establish localization results for Gabor like frames.

In this paper we extend previously known results to the Banach algebra (4) and its weighted version (15). Beside the intrinsic interest of a new Wiener type lemma, we are motivated by two problems of time-frequency analysis. One problem is the *Heil-Ramanathan-Topiwala (HRT) conjecture*, the other problem relates to the time-frequency analysis of communication channels.

A second contribution of this paper is the explicit construction of a faithful tracial state on \mathcal{A} that yields several consequences. In particular we show that \mathcal{A} does not contain any compact operator, from where we obtain as a corollary a partial answer to the HRT conjecture. On the other hand we prove extensions of the Paley-Wiener theorem for this algebra.

The HRT conjecture (see [11]) states that finitely many distinct time-frequency shifts of one L^2 function, are linearly independent (over \mathbf{C}). This means, for any finite subset of \mathbf{R}^{2d} , $\Lambda \subset \mathbf{R}^{2d}$, and $g \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$,

$$(11) \quad \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda g = 0 \Rightarrow c_\lambda = 0, \forall \lambda \in \Lambda$$

When Λ is a subset of a lattice, the claim was positively proved by Linnell in [16], however the general case, as far as we know, is still open. The problem can be recast into a spectral analysis problem. More specifically the HRT conjecture is equivalent to proving that for any finite subset $\Lambda \subset \mathbf{R}^{2d}$, and complex numbers $(c_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$, the bounded operator $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda$ has no pure point spectrum. Motivated by this problem, one is naturally led to an algebra of type (4). Our result in this paper (Theorem 3.10) is one step toward analyzing spectral properties of such operators. Here we prove that any T in \mathcal{A} (in particular this works for finite linear combinations of time-frequency shifts) cannot have isolated eigenvalues of finite multiplicity. For our setting, this is the best result one can hope to obtain (see Remark after Theorem 3.10).

In communication theory, a multipath time-varying communication channel is modeled as a linear superposition of time-frequency shifts (see [26]). Often the channel model contains finitely many time-frequency shifts, or infinitely many but fast-decaying coefficients, so naturally, the channel transfer operator is in algebra \mathcal{A}_v . One problem is channel equalization (or deconvolution) by which one has to invert the channel transfer operator. Assuming this operator is invertible on the space of finite energy signals, then our result says the inverse is also a superposition of time-frequency-shifts, with absolutely summable coefficients. The coefficients decaying rate gives the convergence rate of finite approximation methods. In this context our results (Theorems 3.6, 3.12) give estimates of this decay. We also obtain necessary and sufficient conditions for operators in \mathcal{A} to have bounded support (Theorem 3.14).

The organization of this paper is the following. In Section 2 we present algebra constructions; In Section 3 we state our main results. In Section 4 we connect our approach to prior literature, and in Section 5 we prove these results.

Throughout this paper we use the following notations: For a set I , $|I|$ denotes the cardinal of set I (i.e. the number of points that I contains); for $x \in \mathbf{R}^d$, $|x|$ denotes its ∞ -norm, and $\|x\|$ the Euclidian (l^2) norm; $B_r(x)$ denotes the closed ball of radius r centered at x with respect to norm $|\cdot|$, $B_r(x) = \{y \in \mathbf{R}^d \mid |x - y| \leq r\}$; thus $\{B_1(n) \mid n \in \mathbf{Z}^d\}$ forms a covering (but not disjoint) partition of \mathbf{R}^d ; $E_r(x)$ denotes the Euclidian closed ball of radius r centered at x , $E_r(x) = \{y \in \mathbf{R}^d \mid \|x - y\| \leq r\}$; \mathcal{F} denotes the unitary Fourier transform with the following normalization:

$$f \mapsto \mathcal{F}f(\omega) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \int_{\mathbf{R}^d} e^{-i\omega x} f(x) dx$$

We will frequently use λ, μ to denote time-frequency points in \mathbf{R}^{2d} , e.g. $\lambda = (t, \omega)$ of components $t, \omega \in \mathbf{R}^d$.

2. TWISTED CONVOLUTION, HEISENBERG GROUP REPRESENTATION, AND BANACH ALGEBRAS

2.1. Banach Algebras. A *Banach algebra* A is a normed algebra which is closed with respect to its norm $\|\cdot\|_A$ and satisfies $\|xy\|_A \leq \|x\|_A \|y\|_A$ for all $x, y \in A$. Throughout this paper all algebras have unit. In general, when an algebra does not have an identity element, one formally adds a unit, and defines the inverse with respect to this element. The *resolvent* of an element $x \in A$ is the set of complex numbers $\lambda \in \mathbf{C}$ so that $\lambda 1 - x$ is invertible in A . Its complement is called *spectrum* and is denoted by $sp_A(x)$. It is always a closed set included into the ball of radius $\|x\|_A$ centered at the origin. The largest absolute

value of elements of the spectrum is called the *spectral radius*, denoted $r_A(x)$, $r_A(x) := \max_{\lambda \in \text{sp}_A(x)} |\lambda|$. Note $r_A(x) \leq \|x\|_A$. The spectral radius can be computed using Gelfand's formula:

$$(12) \quad r_A(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\|x^n\|_A)^{1/n}$$

A map $*$ of A is called *involution*, $x \mapsto x^*$, if $(ax + by)^* = \bar{a}x^* + \bar{b}y^*$, $(x^*)^* = x$, and $\|x^*\|_A = \|x\|_A$ for all $a, b \in \mathbf{C}$ and $x, y \in A$. A Banach algebra with an involution is called a *Banach *-algebra*.

If the norm $\|\cdot\|_A$ satisfies $\|x^*x\|_A = \|x\|_A^2$, then A is called a *C^* algebra*.

Typically on a $*$ -algebra A we will have two norms: $\|\cdot\|_A$ with respect to which A is closed, hence a Banach $*$ -algebra, and $\|\cdot\|_B$ that satisfies $\|x^*x\|_B = \|x\|_B^2$ and with respect to which A is not closed. The completion B of A with respect to this latter norm $\|\cdot\|_B$ is a C^* algebra. Note $A \subset B$, hence $\|x\|_B \leq \|x\|_A$, for all $x \in A$.

We call A an *inverse closed* algebra in B , if any element $x \in A$ that is invertible in B , is invertible in A , $x^{-1} \in A$. Neimark in [19] calls (A, B) a *Wiener pair*, whereas Baskakov in [4] calls A a *full* algebra in B .

2.2. Weighted Algebras. In this paper a weight v is a nonnegative and radially non-decreasing function on \mathbf{R}^d so that $v(0) = 1$ and $v(-x) = v(x)$. Let $w : \mathbf{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^+$ be the function $w(r) = \max_{\|x\|=r} v(x)$. We define the following (see also [10]):

(a) The weight v is said *submultiplicative* if satisfies

$$(13) \quad v(x + y) \leq v(x)v(y)$$

(b) The weight v is said to satisfy the *GRS (Gelfand-Raikov-Shilov) condition* if

$$(14) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (w(nr))^{1/n} = 1, \quad \forall r \geq 0$$

(c) The weight v is called *admissible* if it is submultiplicative and satisfies the GRS condition.

Example 2.1. [10]

The typical examples of admissible weights are the polynomial weights, $v(x) = (1 + \|x\|)^s$ for some $s \geq 0$, and the subexponential weights, $v(x) = e^{\alpha\|x\|^\beta}$, for some $\alpha \geq 0$ and $0 < \beta < 1$. More generally, the following is also an admissible weight (see [10]), $v(x) = e^{\alpha\|x\|^\beta} (1 + \|x\|)^s \log^t(e + \|x\|)$, where $\alpha, s, t \geq 0$, $0 < \beta < 1$.

Note the exponential weight $v(x) = e^{\alpha\|x\|}$ with $\alpha > 0$ is not admissible. It is submultiplicative, but does not satisfy the GRS condition.

Throughout this paper all the weights are assumed at least submultiplicative. Except for Lemma 5.2 and the proof of Theorem 3.12, all weights considered in the rest of the paper are admissible. In Lemma 5.2 we consider the less restrictive submultiplicative weights to cover the case of exponential weights needed in the proof of Theorem 3.12.

For a weight v we denote by $l_v^1(\mathbf{R}^n)$ (or just l_v^1 when no danger of confusion) the space of functions $c : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ so that $\|c\|_{l_v^1} := \sum_{x \in \mathbf{R}^n} v(x)|c(x)| < \infty$. For $0 < p < \infty$ we let $l^p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ (or merely l^p , when no danger of confusion) denote the space of functions $c : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ so that $\|c\|_p := (\sum_{x \in \mathbf{R}^n} |c(x)|^p)^{1/p} < \infty$. We will frequently use the notation $c_x = c(x)$. The support of c is defined by $\text{supp}(c) = \{\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^n \mid c_\lambda \neq 0\}$, and for any c in l^p with $0 < p < \infty$ or l_v^1 it is always a finite or countable subset of \mathbf{R}^n . For $p = \infty$, l^∞ represents the set of bounded functions on \mathbf{R}^n , not necessarily of finite or countable support, and $\|c\|_\infty = \sup_x |c_x|$. For any $p \geq 1$, l^p is a Banach space with $\|\cdot\|_p$ norm. Note $l^p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ is not separable for any p . In particular $l^2(\mathbf{R}^n)$ does not have a countable orthonormal basis. $l^p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and $l_n^1(\mathbf{R}^n)$ are the corresponding L^p and L_v^1 spaces for \mathbf{R}^n endowed with discrete topology.

We denote by \mathcal{A}_v the algebra of time-frequency operators

$$(15) \quad \mathcal{A}_v = \{T = \sum_{\lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda \ ; \ \|T\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} := \sum_{\lambda} v(\lambda)|c_\lambda| < \infty\}$$

that is the algebra of time-frequency shifts whose coefficients are l_v^1 summable. Clearly this is a subalgebra of the bounded operators $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. Furthermore, for every $T \in \mathcal{A}_v$, $\|T\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))} \leq \|T\|_{\mathcal{A}_v}$. Thus the C^* algebra \mathbf{A} obtained by closing any one of \mathcal{A}_v with respect to the operator norm $\|\cdot\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}$ includes \mathcal{A} and hence every \mathcal{A}_v .

3. MAIN RESULTS

Previous section set the framework for stating our results. In the following v denotes a subexponential weight. In particular v can be the constant function $v = 1$ (the unweighted case).

Theorem 3.1 (Spectral Invariance). *Assume $T = \sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{A}_v$. Then the spectral radii with respect to the two algebras $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$ and \mathcal{A}_v satisfy*

$$(16) \quad r_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}(T) = r_{\mathcal{A}_v}(T)$$

Theorem 3.2 (Wiener Lemma for TF Operators). *The algebra \mathcal{A}_v is inverse closed in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. Explicitly this means, if $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda}$ for some $\mathbf{c} \in l^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})$ with $\Lambda = \text{supp}(\mathbf{c})$, and T is invertible in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$, then there is $\mathbf{d} \in l^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})$ with $\Sigma = \text{supp}(\mathbf{d})$ so that $T^{-1} = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} d_{\sigma} U_{\sigma}$.*

Immediate corollaries of this result are the following:

Corollary 3.3. *For any $T \in \mathcal{A}_v$ its spectrum with respect to the algebra \mathcal{A}_v coincides to the spectrum with respect to the algebra $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. Explicitly this means*

$$(17) \quad sp_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}(T) = sp_{\mathcal{A}_v}(T)$$

Corollary 3.4. *Assume $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda}$ with $\sum_{\lambda} |c_{\lambda}| < \infty$ is invertible in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. Then T is invertible in all $B(L^p(\mathbf{R}^d))$, with $0 < p \leq \infty$.*

Corollary 3.5. *Let $T = \sum_{t \in \mathbf{R}^d} m_t S_t$ be a bounded invertible operator on $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ so that $\sum_t \|m_t\|_{AP} < \infty$. Then $T^{-1} = \sum_{t \in \mathbf{R}^d} n_t S_t$ with $n_t \in AP$ so that $\sum_t \|n_t\|_{AP} < \infty$.*

The following theorem gives an explicit estimate of the \mathcal{A}_v norm of the inverse when the invertible operator has finite support.

Theorem 3.6 (Norm of the Inverse). *Assume $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda}$ with $|\Lambda| = N < \infty$ and $R_0 = \max_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \|\lambda\|$. Assume T is invertible in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$, and hence in \mathcal{A}_v as well (by Theorem 3.2). Denote $A = \|T^{-1}\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}^2$, $B = \|T\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}^2$, and $\rho = \max(1, 2R_0)$, and assume a polynomial weight $w(x) = C(1+x)^m$ for some $C > 0$ and $m \in \mathbf{N}$. Then*

$$(18) \quad \|T^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} \leq \frac{C\rho^m \|T\|_{\mathcal{A}_v}}{A} (m+N)! \left(\frac{A+B}{2A} \right)^{m+N}$$

Consider now $\mathcal{G} = \{g_{m,n;\alpha,\beta} := U_{\beta n, 2\pi\alpha m} g \mid m, n \in \mathbf{Z}^d\}$ a Gabor frame for $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$, with $\alpha, \beta > 0$, $\alpha\beta \leq 1$, and a dual Gabor frame (not necessarily the canonical dual frame) $\tilde{\mathcal{G}} = \{\tilde{g}_{m,n;\alpha,\beta} := U_{\beta n, 2\pi\alpha m} \tilde{g} \mid m, n \in \mathbf{Z}^d\}$. For details on Gabor frame theory we refer the reader to e.g. [7]. The following theorem gives an explicit construction of the faithful tracial state:

$$(19) \quad \gamma : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}, \quad \gamma\left(\sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda}\right) = c_0$$

This trace extends to \mathbf{A} , the completion of \mathcal{A} with respect to the operator norm, which is a C^* algebra.

Theorem 3.7 (Trace on \mathbf{A}). *For any $T \in \mathbf{A}$,*

$$(20) \quad \gamma(T) = \frac{1}{(\alpha\beta)^d} \lim_{M,N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(2M+1)^d (2N+1)^d} \sum_{|m| \leq M} \sum_{|n| \leq N} \langle T g_{m,n;\alpha,\beta}, \tilde{g}_{m,n;\alpha,\beta} \rangle$$

is the faithful tracial state (19) on \mathbf{A} , independent of the choice of the Gabor frame \mathcal{G} .

An immediate consequence of Theorem 3.10 is the following corollary

Corollary 3.8. *For any operator $T = \sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{A}$*

$$(21) \quad |c_{\lambda}| \leq \|c\|_{\infty} \leq \|c\|_2 \leq \|T\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))} \leq \|c\|_1$$

and

$$(22) \quad c_{\lambda} = \gamma(U_{\lambda}^* T) = \lim_{M, N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\alpha\beta)^d} \frac{1}{(2M+1)^d (2N+1)^d} \sum_{|m| \leq M} \sum_{|n| \leq N} \langle U_{\lambda}^* T g_{m,n;\alpha,\beta}, \tilde{g}_{m,n;\alpha,\beta} \rangle$$

As a corollary of this result we obtain that \mathbf{A} (and hence \mathcal{A} as well) cannot contain compact operators:

Corollary 3.9. *Assume $T \in \mathbf{A}$ is a compact operator. Then $T = 0$.*

Since for any finite set $\Lambda \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}$, and complex scalars (c_{λ}) , the operator $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda}$ is in \mathcal{A} , we obtain the following theorem that gives a partial answer to the HRT conjecture:

Theorem 3.10. *Any operator $T \in \mathcal{A}$ (in particular, any finite linear combination of time-frequency shifts) cannot have an isolated eigenvalue of finite multiplicity. Hence the pure point spectrum, if it is nonempty, can only contain eigenvalues of infinite multiplicity, or eigenvalues that belong to the continuous part of the spectrum as well.*

Remark 3.11. *This theorem is optimal with respect to algebra \mathcal{A} . This means there are operators in \mathcal{A} that have isolated eigenvalues but of infinite multiplicity. Indeed, consider the Gaussian window $\gamma(x) = \exp(-x^2/2)$ and the Riesz basic sequence it generates for some parameters $\alpha, \beta > 1$, $\Gamma = \{\gamma_{m,n;\alpha,\beta} ; m, n \in \mathbf{Z}^d\}$. Let $\tilde{\gamma}$ be the canonical dual window. Note that both $\gamma, \tilde{\gamma} \in M^1$ (by [9]). Now consider the orthogonal projection P onto the span of Γ . It is immediate to prove that P commutes with all time-frequency shifts $U_{n\beta, 2\pi m\alpha}$. Hence P belongs to the commutant $\{U_{be,0}, U_{0,2\pi\alpha}, I\}'$ which is the von Neumann algebra generated by $U_{n/\alpha, 2\pi m/\beta}$. The decomposition of P with respect to these unitary generators is given by the Wexler-Raz formula:*

$$P = \sum_{m,n \in \mathbf{Z}^d} c_{n,m} U_{\frac{n}{\alpha}, \frac{2\pi m}{\beta}}$$

with $c_{n,m} = \frac{1}{(\alpha\beta)^d} \langle \gamma_{n,m;\frac{1}{\alpha}, \frac{2\pi}{\beta}}, \tilde{\gamma} \rangle$. The coefficients are absolutely summable which implies $P \in \mathcal{A}$. But clearly the spectrum of P consists of only two elements, 0 and 1, each of infinite multiplicity since otherwise this would contradict the Theorem 3.10. The multiplicity of eigenvalue 0 represents the deficit of Γ , defined as the smallest cardinal of a set of vectors so that its union with Γ becomes a Riesz basis for $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$. This is the dual problem to the excess problem we analyzed in [1, 2, 3]. Thus the deficit of any Gabor Riesz basic sequence with generator in M^1 can only be infinite (zero is ruled out by the Balian-Law no-go result).

For finite support operators as above, we can estimate the decay rate of the coefficients of the inverse operator. In general such operators are in \mathcal{A}_v for any subexponential weight v . Hence the inverse operator would have coefficients that are summable with such weights. However, we can obtain more:

Theorem 3.12. *Let $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda}$ be an invertible operator with $\Lambda \subset \mathbf{R}^{2d}$ a finite set. Then there is $\delta > 0$ so that if $T^{-1} = \sum_{\mu \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} d_{\mu} U_{\mu}$ then*

$$(23) \quad \sum_{\mu \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} e^{\delta|\mu|} |d_{\mu}| < \infty$$

This result generalizes the classic statement (see e.g. [28]) that the reciprocal of a trigonometric polynomial that does not vanish on the unit circle has exponentially decaying Fourier coefficients. Our result is stronger than just simply saying the coefficients of the inverse operator should decay exponentially

fast. It also controls the “tail” of the summation. To make this point more precise, we notice that (23) is equivalent to a Wiener amalgam type norm:

$$(24) \quad \sum_{n \in \mathbf{Z}^{2d}} e^{\delta|n|} \sum_{\mu \in B_1(n)} |d_\mu| < \infty$$

where $B_1(n)$ is the ball of radius 1 centered at n , $B_1(n) = \{\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^{2d} \mid |n - \lambda| \leq 1\}$. Hence there is a constant $C > 0$ so that for all $R > 0$,

$$(25) \quad \sum_{\mu \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}, |\mu| \geq R} |d_\mu| < C e^{-\delta R}$$

Another equivalent statement of Theorem 3.12 is given by the Corollary 3.13 below. First we need to introduce a Banach space. Let us denote by $L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I)$ the mixed norm Banach space

$$(26) \quad L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I) = \{f : \mathbf{R}^d \times I \rightarrow \mathbf{C} ; \|f\|_{2,\infty}^2 := \sup_{y \in I} \int_{\mathbf{R}^d} |f(x, y)|^2 dx < \infty\}$$

where $I \subset \mathbf{R}^d$ is a compact neighborhood of the origin. Then the unitary U_λ extends from $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ to $L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I)$ simply by:

$$(27) \quad \mathbf{U}_\lambda f(x, y) = e^{i(\omega, x + iy)} f(x - t, y), \quad \lambda = (t, \omega), \quad (x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times I$$

An operator $T = \sum_\lambda c_\lambda U_\lambda$ extends to $\mathbf{T} = \sum_\lambda c_\lambda \mathbf{U}_\lambda$ under some conditions. Clearly all finite or compactly supported operators of \mathcal{A} can be extended to $L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I)$. Theorem 3.14 gives necessary and sufficient conditions for such an extension to exist.

Corollary 3.13. *Let $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda$ be a finitely supported invertible operator in \mathcal{A} . Then for some compact neighborhood I of the origin whose size depends on the operator T , the inverse $T^{-1} = \sum_\mu d_\mu U_\mu$ extends to $L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I)$ to the inverse of the extension, that is to:*

$$(28) \quad \mathbf{T}^{-1} = \sum_\mu d_\mu \mathbf{U}_\mu$$

What this corollary says is that extension and inversion commute for some compact neighborhood of the origin.

Theorem 3.14. (1) *Assume $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda \in \mathcal{A}$ so that $\Lambda \subset \mathbf{R}^d \times E_\Omega(0)$ for some $\Omega > 0$, where $E_\Omega(0) = \{\omega \in \mathbf{R}^d \mid \|\omega\| \leq \Omega\}$. Then for any $\rho > 0$, T extends to $X_\rho = L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times E_\rho(0))$ with operator norm bounded by:*

$$(29) \quad \|\mathbf{T}\|_{B(X_\rho)} \leq C e^{\rho\Omega}$$

for $C = \|T\|_{\mathcal{A}}$.

- (2) *Conversely, assume $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda \in \mathcal{A}$ can be extended to X_ρ for all $\rho > 0$, with a norm bounded as in (29), for some $C > 0$ and $\Omega > 0$ independent of ρ . Then $\text{supp}(T) \subset \mathbf{R}^d \times E_\Omega(0)$.*
- (3) *Assume $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda \in \mathcal{A}$ so that $\Lambda \subset E_D(0) \times \mathbf{R}^d$ for some $D > 0$. Then for any $\rho > 0$, the operator $S = \mathcal{F}^* T \mathcal{F}$, where \mathcal{F} denotes the Fourier transform, extends to X_ρ with operator norm bounded by*

$$(30) \quad \|\mathbf{S}\|_{B(X_\rho)} \leq C e^{\rho D}$$

for $C = \|T\|_{\mathcal{A}}$.

- (4) *Conversely, assume the Fourier conjugate $\mathcal{F}^* T \mathcal{F}$ of $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda \in \mathcal{A}$ can be extended to X_ρ for all $\rho > 0$ with a norm bounded as in (30) with C and D independent of ρ . Then $\text{supp}(T) \subset E_D(0) \times \mathbf{R}^d$.*

4. CONNEXIONS TO PRIOR LITERATURE

In this section we discuss the two ingredients developed in this paper: Wiener lemma type results, and the faithful tracial state in Gabor analysis. For each of these we discuss prior results and approaches in literature, strengths and shortcomings of each method. For precise definitions and more details of the results we refer the reader to the corresponding paper.

4.1. Discussion about Wiener Lemma and Alternate Proofs. The closest paper to our analysis is [9] by Gröchenig and Leinert. There the authors proved the analogous statement to Theorem 3.2 but only for the algebra of time-frequency shifts from a lattice. As an off-shot of that result, the authors obtained a very nice localization result regarding dual Gabor frame generators. More specifically, if $\{g_{m,n;\alpha,\beta} ; m, n \in \mathbf{Z}^d\}$ is a Gabor frame for $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ with $g \in M_v^1$, the *modulation space* associated to an admissible weight v , then the canonical dual frame $\{\tilde{g}_{m,n;\alpha,\beta} ; m, n \in \mathbf{Z}^d\}$ is so that $\tilde{g} \in M_v^1$. One may ask whether the methods used in that paper hold in our case. The answer is affirmative. Indeed, the main tool used in [9] is the fact that the Banach algebra $l_v^1(\mathbf{Z}^{2d})$, with the twisted convolution \sharp , is symmetric which in turn is a consequence of Hulanicki's and Ludwig's results on symmetry of group algebras associated to nilpotent groups. The very same result applies to our case where the discrete countable group \mathbf{Z}^{2d} is simply replaced by \mathbf{R}^{2d} . Hence, as mentioned in introduction, Theorems 3.2 and 3.1 are consequences of Hulanicki's Theorem from e.g. [13]. However, by invoking a general abstract result one does not obtain the norm estimates of Theorem 3.7 nor the localization results of Theorems 3.12 and 3.14. We preferred to present an explicit and self-contained proof of Theorem 3.2 for two reasons: (i) for the benefit of reader unfamiliar with the symmetry of nilpotent group algebras; and (ii) to obtain explicit estimates of the inverse norm. All these being said we do not want to diminish in any way the beauty and elegance of [9].

We mentioned earlier an important consequence contained in [9], namely the localization result of the canonical dual Gabor frame generator. One may ask if there is an analogous consequence in our more general case. The most natural guess would be to analyze the canonical dual of irregular Gabor frames. Unfortunately, unlike the regular (i.e. lattice) case, the frame operator may not necessarily belong to \mathcal{A}_v and hence no conclusion can be drawn from our analysis. Fortunately one can use another approach to recover the results of [9] and prove the localization result in the irregular case. This alternative approach is used in [3] and is based on Baskakov's result mentioned earlier in the introduction. Indeed, the frame operator of an irregular Gabor frame with generator in M^1 has a matrix representation with respect to a "nice" Gabor frame that is dominated by a Toeplitz matrix with l^1 generating sequence. In [3] such frames are called *l^1 localized frames* (more specifically with respect to a "nice" reference Gabor frame generated by the Gaussian window). The associated matrix of such frames admits a pseudoinverse, because of frame condition. Using Baskakov Theorem and holomorphic functional calculus one obtains that the pseudoinverse has the same off-diagonal decaying property which proves the localization result for the canonical dual frame. In the regular case, the inverse of an invertible operator that is a linear combination of time-frequency shifts from a lattice is also a linear combination of time-frequency shifts of the same lattice. (Here we use "linear combination" to denote the generators of a C^* algebra, hence convergence in operator norm). Thus distinct time-frequency labels associated to the inverse operator are always well separated. This fact combined with Baskakov's result applied to the pseudoinverse matrix gives an alternative proof to the case considered in [9] (see also [10]).

The irregular case is fundamentally different from the lattice case, although it is true that an operator in \mathcal{A} has support always contained into a countable generated discrete group of the time-frequency plane. However the main obstruction in the irregular case is the fact that the time-frequency labels of the inverse of an operator $T \in \mathcal{A}$ are not necessarily well-separated, even when T has finite support. Indeed, if $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda$ with $|\Lambda| < \infty$ is invertible in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$, then $T^{-1} = \sum_{\mu} d_\mu U_\mu$ with convergence in operator norm in \mathbf{A} . However, in general, $\text{supp}(T^{-1})$ has accumulation points in \mathbf{R}^d . This fact makes difficult the application of Baskakov's Theorem to irregular frames. To better understand this obstruction,

we remark here only that the conclusion that can be drawn along this line of reasoning is the following statement. If $T = \sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{A}$ is invertible in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$ then its inverse $T^{-1} = \sum_{\mu} d_{\mu} U_{\mu}$ satisfies

$$(31) \quad \sum_{k \in \mathbf{Z}^{2d}} \sup_{\mu \in B_1(k)} |d_{\mu}| < \infty$$

Clearly this statement is weaker than Theorem 3.2 that claims $\sum_{\mu} |d_{\mu}| < \infty$.

4.2. Faithful Tracial States in Gabor Analysis. In [5] Daubechies, Landau, and Landau computed explicitly the faithful tracial state on the W^* algebra $\mathbf{W}_{a,b}$ generated by $\{M_{2\pi ma} T_{nb} ; m, n \in \mathbf{Z}\}$. They showed that $\mathbf{W}_{a,b}$ is a II_1 factor for $ab \notin \mathbf{Q}$ (result also known from the rotation algebra theory, see e.g. [21]), that has a unique faithful tracial state. In general, for arbitrary $a, b > 0$ a faithful tracial state is defined as the coefficient $c_{0,0}$ of its strongly convergent uniquely defined decomposition $T = \sum_{m,n} c_{m,n} U_{nb,2\pi ma}$. They showed this number $(C_{0,0})$ is computable using the formula

$$(32) \quad c_{0,0} = \frac{1}{ab} \sum_{k=0}^J \langle T 1_{I_k}, 1_{I_k} \rangle$$

where J is the largest integer smaller than or equal to ab , and the $J+1$ intervals $I_0, I_1, \dots, I_{J-1}, I_J$ are given by $[0, \frac{1}{a}]$, $[\frac{1}{a}, \frac{2}{a}]$, \dots , $[\frac{J-1}{a}, \frac{J}{a}]$, $[\frac{J}{a}, b]$.

In this paper we extend this tracial state from algebra generated by time-frequency shifts from a lattice to the algebra generated by all time-frequency shifts. Note however the following limitation of our method. In [5] the faithful tracial state applies to a W^* algebra, whereas our Theorem 3.7 applies only to a C^* algebra. The tracial state γ of (19) cannot be extended to the W^* algebra generated by \mathcal{A} since this W^* algebra is the entire algebra $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$ (which does not admit a faithful tracial state). Consider now the series of C^* algebras $(\mathbf{C}_{a,b})_{a,b>0}$ each generated by respectively $\{U_{nb,2\pi ma} ; m, n \in \mathbf{Z}\}$ (we restrict ourselves here to the one-dimensional case for convenience of comparison). For any $T \in \mathbf{C}_{a,b}$, for some $a, b > 0$, its trace $\gamma(T)$ can be computed either by (32), or by (20). Our formula (20) has the advantage of being independent of lattice parameters (a, b) . In particular this shows the tracial states defined by (32) are compatible on operators that belong simultaneously to two different W^* algebras (for instance $T \in \mathbf{C}_{2a,2b} \subset \mathbf{C}_{2a,b} \cap \mathbf{C}_{a,2b}$).

We end this section with a comment on Theorem 3.10. In this paper we solve a restricted case of the HRT conjecture, namely we rule out the existence of isolated eigenvalues of finite multiplicity for all finite linear combinations of time-frequency shifts. In fact we obtain this conclusion for any operator of \mathcal{A} , hence also for infinite linear combinations of time-frequency shifts with coefficients in l^1 . The other case that was ruled out is the lattice case, that is when the finitely many time-frequency shifts are from a lattice. This was beautifully proved by Linnel in [16]. One may ask whether the same arguments hold in our more general case. There is a difficulty in trying to do so, namely γ is a faithful tracial state on a C^* algebra (in this paper) unlike the W^* algebra $\mathbf{W}_{a,b}$ considered in [16]. This difference prevents us from having a similar proof in our setting. We currently study ways to bypass this difficulty.

5. PROOF OF RESULTS

The order of proofs is the following. First we prove the spectral invariance Theorem 3.1, from where we derive Theorem 3.2. In the process of proving Theorem 3.1 we obtain the norm estimate (36) that allows proving Theorem 3.6. The corollaries 3.3, 3.4 and 3.5 follow directly from 3.2. The spectral invariance Theorem 3.1 can be deduced from the symmetry of the group algebra of $l^1(\mathcal{H})$, the Heisenberg group $\mathcal{H} = \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{T}$ endowed with a discrete topology, similar to the approach in [9]. In fact those proofs apply almost verbatim to our case. However we prefer to derive these results directly in a self-contained manner for two reasons: (i) the proofs are relevant to researchers not familiar with the group algebra of a nilpotent group, and (ii) we derive also the explicit norm estimate (36) and (18) which otherwise would not have been available from the abstract results invoked in [9].

In Theorem 3.7 we construct the faithful tracial state on \mathcal{A} , and therefore **A**. This will be proved later in this section. From this result we will derive Corollaries 3.8, 3.9, and Theorem 3.10. Theorems 3.12 and 3.14 will follow after extension to the Banach space $L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I)$.

5.1. Proof of Theorems 3.1, 3.2, 3.6 and Corollaries 3.3,3.4,3.5. Theorem 3.1 is obtained in two steps. First step involves finite linear combinations of time-frequency shifts. In the second step we extend the spectral result to the entire algebra \mathcal{A} .

Consider $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda$ with $|\Lambda| < \infty$ a finite linear combination of time-frequency shifts. Note:

$$T^n = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} d_\sigma U_\sigma$$

where:

$$(33) \quad \Sigma = \Lambda + \Lambda + \cdots + \Lambda = \{\lambda_1 + \cdots + \lambda_n \mid \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \Lambda\}$$

$$(34) \quad d_\sigma = \sum_{\substack{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \Lambda \\ \lambda_1 + \cdots + \lambda_n = \sigma}} c_{\lambda_1} \cdots c_{\lambda_n} e^{-it_1 \omega_2} e^{-it_2 \omega_3} \cdots e^{-it_{n-1} \omega_n}, \text{ where each } \lambda_k = (t_k, \omega_k)$$

Then by Cauchy-Schwarz,

$$(35) \quad \|T^n\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} |d_\sigma| v(\sigma) \leq |\Sigma|^{1/2} \sup_{\sigma \in \Sigma} |v(\sigma)| \|d\|_2$$

We estimate next the three factors of the right-hand side, and we will prove the following

Lemma 5.1. *Assume $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda$ is an operator in \mathcal{A} with $|\Lambda| < \infty$ and $\Lambda \subset E_{R_0}(0)$. Then for any submultiplicative weight v , that is $v(x+y) \leq v(x)v(y)$ for all x, y ,*

$$(36) \quad \|T^n\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} \leq (n+1)^{|\Lambda|/2} w(nR_0) \cdot \|T^n\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}$$

where $w(a) = \sup_{\|x\|=a} v(x)$. **Proof of Lemma 5.1**

The cardinal of set Σ in (35) is upper bounded as follows. Notice that $\lambda_i + \lambda_j = \lambda_j + \lambda_i$ therefore any permutation of terms in $\lambda_1 + \cdots + \lambda_n$ would produce the same point σ . Hence:

$$(37) \quad |\Sigma| \leq |\{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_{|\Lambda|} \mid k_1 + k_2 + \cdots + k_{|\Lambda|} = n, k_1, k_2, \dots, k_{|\Lambda|} \geq 0)\}| = \frac{(n+|\Lambda|) \cdots (n+1)}{|\Lambda|!} \leq (n+1)^{|\Lambda|}$$

For the second factor in (35) we need to estimate the radius R_n of a ball $E_{R_n}(0)$ in \mathbf{R}^{2d} that includes all Σ . If $R_0 = \max_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \|\lambda\|$, then for $R_n = nR_0$ we have $\Sigma \subset E_{R_n}(0)$. Since the weight v is radially non-decreasing,

$$(38) \quad \max_{\sigma \in \Sigma} v(\sigma) \leq w(nR_0)$$

The third factor in (35) is a bit more complicated. We need to use the following lemma, which is of intrinsic interest:

Lemma 5.2. *For any finite set of time-frequency points $\Sigma = \{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_N\}$ there is a function $g \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ so that $\{U_{\sigma_k} g; 1 \leq k \leq N\}$ is an orthonormal set.*

Assume this lemma is proved. Then we apply to our set $\Sigma = \Lambda + \cdots + \Lambda$ and we obtain, on the one hand

$$\|T^n g\|^2 = \left\| \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} d_\sigma U_\sigma g \right\|^2 = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} |d_\sigma|^2 = \|d\|_2^2$$

and on the other hand

$$\|T^n g\|^2 \leq \|T^n\|^2 \|g\|^2 = \|T^n\|^2$$

Thus we get:

$$(39) \quad \|d\|_2 \leq \|T^n\|$$

Putting together (37,38,39) into (35) we obtain:

$$(40) \quad \|T^n\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} \leq (n+1)^{|\Lambda|/2} w(nR_0) \|T^n\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}$$

which proves Lemma 5.1. Q.E.D.

Remark 5.3. *Inequality (39) follows also independently from (21) of Corollary 3.8.*

Taking the n^{th} root and passing to the limit $n \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain:

$$(41) \quad r(T)_{\mathcal{A}_v} \leq r(T)_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}$$

Since the inclusion $\mathcal{A}_v \subset B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$ implies the inverse inclusion of the spectra $sp_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}(T) \subset sp_{\mathcal{A}_v}(T)$, one obtains $r_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}(T) \leq r_{\mathcal{A}_v}(T)$. This concludes the proof of the spectral radius equation (16) for finite linear combinations of time-frequency shifts. Before going to the second step, we prove Lemma 5.2.

Proof of Lemma 5.2

The statement is equivalent to finding a function $g \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ so that $\langle U_\sigma g, g \rangle = \delta_{\sigma,0}$, for all $\sigma \in \Delta := (\Sigma - \Sigma)$. Let \mathcal{T} be the projection of Δ on the first factor \mathbf{R}^d , and Ω be the projection onto the second factor \mathbf{R}^d . Thus $\Delta \subset \mathcal{T} \times \Omega$. Notice both \mathcal{T} and Ω are finite sets of points of \mathbf{R}^d symmetric about and containing the origin. Let $\Omega \setminus \{0\} = \{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_M\}$ be an enumeration of Ω , and let $\tau_{min}, \tau_{max} > 0$ be the radii of two balls around the origin in \mathbf{R}^d so that $E_{\tau_{min}}(0) \cap \mathcal{T} = \{0\}$ and $\mathcal{T} \subset E_{\tau_{max}}(0)$. We set g as follows:

$$(42) \quad g = \sqrt{h_1 * h_2 * \dots * h_M} / \|\sqrt{h_1 * h_2 * \dots * h_M}\|$$

where $*$ denotes the usual convolution, and g_1, g_2, \dots, g_M are constructed as follows. First we construct inductively the sequence $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_M \in \mathbf{R}^d$ so that:

- (1) $\langle t_1, \omega_1 \rangle = (2n_1 + 1)\pi$ for some integer $n_1 \in \mathbf{Z}$ and $\|t_1\| > \tau_{max}$
- (2) Assume t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k were set; then t_{k+1} is constructed so that: (i) $\langle t_{k+1}, \omega_{k+1} \rangle = (2n_{k+1} + 1)\pi$ for some integer $n_{k+1} \in \mathbf{Z}$, and (ii) $\|t_{k+1}\| > \|t_1\| + \dots + \|t_k\| + 2M\tau_{max}$

With this choice for $\{t_1, \dots, t_M\}$, we set:

$$(43) \quad h_k = 1_E + 1_{t_k + E}$$

where $E = E_{\tau_{min}/M}(0)$ is the Euclidian ball of radius τ_{min} centered at the origin, and 1_E , respectively, $1_{t_k + E}$, is the characteristic function of E , respectively of $t_k + E$. Note that g is a sum of 2^M ‘‘bump’’ functions each supported inside balls of radius τ_{min} and each at a distance from one another of at least τ_{max} . Thus all translates with shifts from $\mathcal{T} \setminus \{0\}$ are disjoint. Hence $\langle U_\mu g, g \rangle = 0$ for all $\mu = (t, \omega) \in \Delta$ with $t \in \mathcal{T} \setminus \{0\}$. It remains to check only that $\langle M_{\omega_k} g, g \rangle = 0$. Using Fourier transform, this is equivalent to $\mathcal{F}(|g|^2)(\omega_k) = 0$. But the choice of t_k guarantees that $\mathcal{F}(h_k)(\omega_k) = 0$ which concludes the proof of Lemma 5.2. Q.E.D.

Now we are ready to go to step 2 of the proof of Theorem 3.1. Consider now $T = \sum_\lambda c_\lambda U_\lambda \in Ac_v$. Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Let Λ be the finite set so that $\sum_{\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^{2d} \setminus \Lambda} |c_\lambda| v(\lambda) < \varepsilon$. Set $T_0 = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda$ and $R = T - T_0$. Thus $\|R\| \leq \|R\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} < \varepsilon$. For a more convenient notation in the following we denote by $s = (s_\sigma)_\sigma$ and $r = (r_\rho)_\rho$ the coefficients of T_0 , respectively R ,

$$(44) \quad s_\sigma = \begin{cases} c_\sigma & \text{if } \sigma \in \Lambda \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad r_\rho = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \rho \in \Lambda \\ c_\rho & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Next expand $T^n = (T_0 + R)^n$ as follows

$$(45) \quad T^n = \sum_{m=0}^n \sum_{k,j} R^{k_1} T_0^{j_1} R^{k_2} T_0^{j_2} \dots R^{k_l} T_0^{j_l} = \sum_{m=0}^n \sum_{k,j} \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} (r^{k_1} \# s^{j_1} \# \dots \# r^{k_l} \# s^{j_l})_\lambda U_\lambda$$

where $k = (k_1, k_2, \dots, k_L)$, $j = (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_L)$ are vectors of nonnegative integers so that $k_1 + \dots + k_L = n - m$ and $j_1 + \dots + j_L = m$, and $r^k = r \# \dots \# r$ is the k -fold twisted convolution. Then the λ -coefficient expands into

$$(46) \quad c_\lambda = \sum_{\rho_1, \dots, \rho_L \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} \sum_{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_L \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} r_{\rho_1}^{k_1} e^{-i\langle a_1, d_1 - b_1 \rangle} s_{\sigma_1 - \rho_1}^{j_1} e^{-i\langle c_1, b_2 - d_1 \rangle} r_{\rho_2 - \sigma_1}^{k_2} e^{-i\langle a_2, d_2 - b_2 \rangle} s_{\sigma_2 - \rho_2}^{j_2} \dots$$

$$(47) \quad \cdot e^{-i\langle c_{L-1}, b_L - d_{L-1} \rangle} r_{\rho_L - \sigma_{L-1}}^{k_L} e^{-i\langle a_L, d_L - b_L \rangle} s_{\sigma_L - \rho_L}^{j_L} \delta_{\sigma_L, \lambda}$$

where $\rho_l = (a_l, b_l)$ and $\sigma_l = (c_l, d_l)$ are the components of the $2L$ phase-space points constrained by $\sigma_L = \lambda$ as expressed by the last Kronecker term.

The next step is to change the summation variables and rearrange the terms as suggested by Hulanicki in [12]. Let $\tilde{\rho}_p = \rho_p - \sigma_{p-1} = (\tilde{a}_p, \tilde{b}_p)$, $1 \leq p \leq L$, with convention $\sigma_0 = (0, 0)$. Also denote by V_p the unitary

$$(V_p s)_{\lambda=(t, \omega)} = e^{-i\langle \tilde{a}_p, \omega \rangle} s_{\lambda - \tilde{\rho}_p}.$$

Then c_λ turns into:

$$(48) \quad c_\lambda = \sum_{\tilde{\rho}_1, \dots, \tilde{\rho}_L \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} e^{ia_1 b_1} r_{\tilde{\rho}_1}^{k_1} r_{\tilde{\rho}_2}^{k_2} \dots r_{\tilde{\rho}_L}^{k_L} \sum_{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_L} (V_1 s^{j_1})_{\sigma_1} e^{-i\langle c_1, d_2 - d_1 \rangle} (V_2 s^{j_2})_{\sigma_2 - \sigma_1} e^{-i\langle c_2, d_3 - d_2 \rangle}$$

$$(49) \quad \dots \cdot e^{-i\langle c_{L-1}, d_L - d_{L-1} \rangle} (V_L s^{j_L})_{\sigma_L - \sigma_{L-1}} \delta_{\sigma_L, \lambda}$$

$$(50) \quad = \sum_{\tilde{\rho}_1, \dots, \tilde{\rho}_L \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} e^{ia_1 b_1} r_{\tilde{\rho}_1}^{k_1} r_{\tilde{\rho}_2}^{k_2} \dots r_{\tilde{\rho}_L}^{k_L} ((V_1 s^{j_1}) \# (V_2 s^{j_2}) \# \dots \# (V_L s^{j_L}))_\lambda$$

and thus

$$(51) \quad |c_\lambda| \leq \sum_{\tilde{\rho}_1, \dots, \tilde{\rho}_L} |r_{\tilde{\rho}_1}^{k_1}| \dots |r_{\tilde{\rho}_L}^{k_L}| \cdot |(V_1 s^{j_1}) \# (V_2 s^{j_2}) \# \dots \# (V_L s^{j_L})_\lambda|$$

Since

$$w(\lambda) \leq w(\tilde{\rho}_1) \cdot \dots \cdot w(\tilde{\rho}_L) \cdot w(\lambda - \tilde{\rho}_1 - \dots - \tilde{\rho}_L)$$

and

$$\text{supp}(V_1 s^{j_1} \# V_2 s^{j_2} \# \dots \# V_L s^{j_L}) \subset (\tilde{\rho}_1 + \dots + \tilde{\rho}_L) + \Sigma, \quad \Sigma := \underbrace{\Lambda + \Lambda + \dots + \Lambda}_m$$

we obtain

$$(52) \quad \|T^n\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} \leq \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n}{m} \varepsilon^{n-m} \max_{\sigma \in \Sigma} v(\sigma) \sup_{\tilde{\rho}_1, \dots, \tilde{\rho}_L} \sum_{\lambda} |((V_1 s^{j_1}) \# \dots \# (V_L s^{j_L}))_\lambda|$$

Now we will estimate the sum over λ above similar to the estimation in (35). The cardinal of Σ has been shown in Lemma 5.2 to be bounded by $(m+1)^{|\Lambda|}$ and hence by $(n+1)^{|\Lambda|}$. Note also that $\Sigma \subset E_{mR_0}(0)$ where R_0 is a radius so that $\Lambda \subset E_{R_0}(0)$. Thus we get:

$$(53) \quad \|T^n\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} \leq (n+1)^{|\Lambda|/2} w(nR_0) \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n}{m} \varepsilon^{n-m} \sup_{a_1, \dots, a_L, b_1, \dots, b_L} \left(\sum_{\lambda} |((V_1 s^{j_1}) \# \dots \# (V_L s^{j_L}))_\lambda|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

By Lemma 5.1 the l^2 norm of the sequence $s = (V_1 s^{j_1} \# \dots \# V_L s^{j_L})$ is bounded by the operator norm obtained by linear combinations of time-frequency shifts with coefficients from s :

$$\|s\|_2 \leq \left\| \sum_{\lambda} s_\lambda U_\lambda \right\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}$$

Note the operator associated to s is (up to a constant phase factor):

$$U_{\tilde{\rho}_1} T_0^{j_1} U_{\tilde{\rho}_2} T_0^{j_2} \cdot \dots \cdot U_{\tilde{\rho}_L} T_0^{j_L}$$

Thus we get:

$$(54) \quad \|s\|_2 \leq \|T_0\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}^{j_1+\dots+j_L} = \|T_0\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}^m$$

which turns (53) into:

$$(55) \quad \|T^n\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} \leq (n+1)^{|\Lambda|} (\varepsilon + \|T_0\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))})^n$$

Now taking the n^{th} root and passing to the limit $n \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain:

$$r_{\mathcal{A}_v}(T) \leq \varepsilon + \|T_0\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}$$

Since $\varepsilon > 0$ was arbitrary, and $\|T_0\| \leq \|T\|$ we obtain:

$$(56) \quad r_{\mathcal{A}_v}(T) \leq \|T\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}$$

Since $r_{\mathcal{A}_v}(T^n) = (r_{\mathcal{A}_v}(T))^n$ we obtain:

$$r_{\mathcal{A}_v}(T) \leq \|T^n\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}^{1/n}$$

and passing to the limit $n \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain

$$(57) \quad r_{\mathcal{A}_v}(T) \leq r_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}(T)$$

The converse inequality is immediate from $\mathcal{A}_v \subset B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. This ends the proof of (16). Theorem 3.1. \diamond

Now Theorem 3.2 is immediate. For completeness we include its proof.

Proof of Theorem 3.2

Assume $T \in \mathcal{A}_v$ is invertible in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. Then there are finite $A, B > 0$ so that $A \leq T^*T \leq B$. Thus we have:

$$T^{-1} = (T^*T)^{-1}T^* = \frac{2}{A+B} \left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{2}{A+B}T^*T\right)^{-1}T^*\right)$$

Let $R = 1 - \frac{2}{A+B}T^*T$. Note $\|R\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))} = \frac{B-A}{B+A} < 1$, hence

$$(58) \quad T^{-1} = \frac{2}{A+B} \sum_{n \geq 0} \left(1 - \frac{2}{A+B}T^*T\right)^n T^*$$

But by Theorem 3.1,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\|R^n\|_{\mathcal{A}_v})^{1/n} = r_{\mathcal{A}_v}(R) = r_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}(R) = \|R\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))} = \frac{B-A}{B+A} < 1.$$

which proves the series $\sum_{n \geq 0} R^n$ is convergent in \mathcal{A}_v hence $T^{-1} \in \mathcal{A}_v$. Q.E.D.

During the proof of Theorem 3.1 we obtained the estimate (36). We will use this in proving Theorem 3.6.

Proof of Theorem 3.6

Assume T is invertible in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. Then for $A = \|T^{-1}\|^{-2}$ and $B = \|T\|^2$,

$$0 < A \leq T^*T \leq B < \infty$$

Note $\|1 - \frac{2}{A+B}\| = \frac{B-A}{B+A} < 1$. Thus

$$T^{-1} = (T^*T)^{-1}T^* = \frac{2}{A+B} \sum_{n \geq 0} \left(1 - \frac{2}{A+B}T^*T\right)^n T^*$$

which converges in operator norm in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$. The estimate (36) of Lemma 5.1 turns into:

$$\|1 - \frac{2}{A+B}T^*T\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} \leq (n+1)^{|\Lambda|/2} w(nR'_0) \|1 - \frac{2}{A+B}T^*T\|^n$$

where Λ' is the label set of $1 - \frac{2}{A+B}T^*T$, and R'_0 is so that $\Lambda' \subset E_{R'_0}(0)$. Since $\Lambda' \subset \Lambda - \Lambda$ we have $|\Lambda'| \leq 2|\Lambda| = 2N$ and $R'_0 \leq 2R_0$, where $R_0 = \max_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \|\lambda\|$ is so that $\Lambda \subset E_{R_0}(0)$. Thus we get

$$\|T^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} \leq \frac{2}{A+B} \sum_{n \geq 0} (n+1)^N w(2nR_0) \left(\frac{B-A}{B+A} \right)^n \|T\|_{\mathcal{A}_v}$$

For $w(x) = C(1+x)^m$ and $\rho = \max(1, 2R_0)$, $w(2nR_0) \leq \rho^m(1+n)^m$ and for $\theta_0 = (B-A)/(B+A)$ we obtain

$$\|T^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{A}_v} \leq \frac{2C\rho^m\|T\|_{\mathcal{A}_v}}{A+B} \sum_{n \geq 0} (1+n)^{m+N} \theta_0^n \leq \frac{2C\rho^m\|T\|_{\mathcal{A}_v}}{A+B} \left[\frac{d^{m+N}}{d\theta^{m+N}} \sum_{n \geq 0} \theta^n \right]_{\theta=\theta_0}$$

Since $\theta_0 < 1$, by direct summation and then differentiation we obtain (18) which ends the proof of this Theorem. Q.E.D.

5.2. Proof of Theorems 3.7, 3.10 and Corollaries 3.8 and 3.9. For any bounded operator $T \in B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$ denote by $a_{M,N}(T)$ the following expression

$$(59) \quad a_{M,N}(T) = \frac{1}{(\alpha\beta)^d(2M+1)^d(2N+1)^d} \sum_{|m| \leq M} \sum_{|n| \leq N} \langle Tg_{m,n;\alpha,\beta}, \tilde{g}_{m,n;\alpha,\beta} \rangle$$

Trace on \mathcal{A}

First we need to show that for every $T \in \mathcal{A}$ the limit $\lim_{M,N \rightarrow \infty} a_{M,N}$ exists and equals $c_0 = \gamma(T)$, the 0-coefficient of T . We prove this statement in two steps. First we consider the unitary generators of \mathcal{A} , and then we extend by continuity to the entire \mathcal{A} .

Lemma 5.4. *Let U_λ denote the time-frequency shift with parameter $\lambda = (t, \omega)$. Then*

$$(60) \quad \lim_{M,N \rightarrow \infty} a_{M,N}(U_\lambda) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \lambda = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \lambda \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Proof

We explicitly compute $a_{M,N}(U_\lambda)$

$$(61) \quad a_{M,N}(U_\lambda) = \frac{1}{(\alpha\beta)^2(2M+1)^d(2N+1)^d} \sum_{|m| \leq M} \sum_{|n| \leq N} e^{2\pi i m \alpha t} e^{i n \beta \omega} \int e^{i \omega x} g(x-t) \overline{\tilde{g}(x)} dx$$

There are now two cases:

Case 1. $(t, \omega) = (\frac{K}{\alpha}, \frac{2\pi J}{\beta})$ for some $K, J \in \mathbf{Z}^d$. Then $e^{2\pi i m \alpha t} = e^{2\pi i n \beta} = 1$ and summations over m and n cancel $(2M+1)^d(2N+1)^d$ factor

$$a_{M,N}(U_\lambda) = \int e^{\frac{2\pi i}{\beta} J x} g(x - K\alpha) \overline{\tilde{g}(x)} dx$$

Recall \mathcal{G} is a Gabor frame with dual frame $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$. By duality principle ([5],[15],[24]) $\mathcal{G}' = \{g_{m,n;\frac{1}{\beta},\frac{1}{\alpha}}; m, n \in \mathbf{Z}^d\}$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}' = \{\frac{1}{(\alpha\beta)^d} \tilde{g}_{m,n;\frac{1}{\beta},\frac{1}{\alpha}}; m, n \in \mathbf{Z}^d\}$ are Riesz basic sequences biorthonormal to one another. Thus

$$\langle g_{J,K;\frac{1}{\beta},\frac{1}{\alpha}}, \tilde{g} \rangle = (\alpha\beta)^d \delta_{J,0} \delta_{K,0}$$

and combined with (61) proves (60) in this case.

Case 2. $(t\alpha, \frac{\omega\beta}{2\pi}) \notin \mathbf{Z}^{2d}$. Then for $t\alpha \notin \mathbf{Z}^d$ a direct computation shows

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(2M+1)^d} \sum_{|m| \leq M} e^{2\pi i m \alpha t} = 0$$

whereas for $\frac{\omega\beta}{2\pi} \notin \mathbf{Z}^d$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(2N+1)^d} \sum_{|n| \leq N} e^{i n \beta \omega} = 0$$

This ends the proof of Lemma 5.4. Q.E.D.

By linearity we extend the result of this lemma to finite linear combinations of unitary operators U_λ :

$$\lim_{M,N \rightarrow \infty} a_{M,N} \left(\sum_{k=1}^L c_{\lambda_k} U_{\lambda_k} \right) = \begin{cases} c_0 & \text{if } 0 \in \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_L\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Next the limit extends to the entire \mathcal{A} by Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem:

$$(62) \quad \lim_{M,N \rightarrow \infty} a_{M,N} \left(\sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda} \right) = \sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} \lim_{M,N \rightarrow \infty} a_{M,N}(U_{\lambda}) = c_0 = \gamma \left(\sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda} \right)$$

Consider $T = \sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{A}$ and $S = \sum_{\mu} d_{\mu} U_{\mu} \in \mathcal{A}$. Then $TS = \sum_{\rho} (c \sharp d)_{\rho} U_{\rho} \in \mathcal{A}$ and $ST = \sum_{\rho} (d \sharp c)_{\rho} U_{\rho} \in \mathcal{A}$. But now

$$(63) \quad \gamma(TS) = (c \sharp d)_0 = \sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} d_{-\lambda} = (d \sharp c)_0 = \gamma(ST)$$

This shows γ is a tracial state on \mathcal{A} . Finally, for $T = \sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{A}$. Then

$$(64) \quad \gamma(T^*T) = \sum_{\lambda} |c_{\lambda}|^2 \geq 0, \quad \gamma(T^*T) = 0 \text{ iff } T = 0$$

Thus γ is a faithful state.

Extension to \mathbf{A}

For $T \in \mathcal{A}$ from (20) we obtain:

$$|\gamma(T)| \leq \|T\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}$$

Then we can extend γ to the completion of \mathcal{A} with respect to the operator norm. The completion of \mathcal{A} is denoted \mathbf{A} and is a C^* algebra. On this algebra, γ remains a faithful tracial state. This ends the proof of Theorem 3.7. Q.E.D.

Corollaries of Theorem 3.7

Corollary 3.8 proof is immediate. In particular equation (21) follows as in (64), whereas (22) is a consequence of Lemma 5.4.

Corollary 3.9 follows as follows. First note that if T is a finite rank operator then $\text{trace}(T^*T) < \infty$. But then

$$\text{trace}(T^*T) = \sum_{m,n \in \mathbf{Z}^d} \langle T^*T g_{m,n;\alpha,\beta}, \tilde{g}_{m,n;\alpha,\beta} \rangle < \infty$$

and thus $\lim_{M,N \rightarrow \infty} a_{M,N}(T^*T) = 0$. By Corollary 3.8 this implies $T = 0$. Now consider T a compact operator in \mathbf{A} . Then $T^*T \in \mathbf{A}$ is a non-negative compact operator. Let $s > 0$ be an eigenvalue of T^*T and let P_s denote the projection onto its eigenspace. On the one hand P_s is finite rank, since T^*T is compact, on the other hand, by holomorphic functional calculus (see [22]), P_s belongs to C^* algebra \mathbf{A} . Then, as shown before, P_s has to vanish, which proves $T = 0$. Q.E.D.

Proof of Theorem 3.10

Theorem 3.10 is a consequence of the holomorphic functional calculus. Assume $T = \sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} U_{\lambda}$ has a finite isolated eigenvalue say μ_0 . Since it is isolated, by holomorphic functional calculus (see [22]) the orthogonal projection onto the eigenspace is given by

$$(65) \quad P_{\mu_0} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} (zI - T)^{-1} dz$$

where Γ is a circle in complex plan centered at μ_0 so that it separates μ_0 from the rest of the spectrum of T . Thus $P_{\mu_0} \in \mathbf{A}$. Since μ_0 has finite multiplicity it follows that P_{μ_0} has finite rank but then by Corollary 3.9, $P_{\mu_0} = 0$ which ends the proof of Theorem 3.10. Q.E.D.

5.3. Proof of Theorems 3.12 and 3.14. Theorems 3.12 and 3.14 characterize finite and half-compactly supported operators in \mathcal{A} . The proof of Theorem 3.12 is based on a spectral radius computation done in Lemma 5.1. In turn, Theorem 3.12 allows the operator extension to the Banach space $L^{2,\infty}$ introduced in Section 3. Once this extension is established, Theorem 3.14 follows easily.

For a $\rho > 0$ we set $f(\lambda) = e^{\rho\|\lambda\|}$, $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^d$. For convenience we denote $\mathcal{B}_\rho = \mathcal{A}_f$, the Banach algebra of bounded operators in \mathcal{A} whose coefficients decay exponentially fast with rate ρ . Note the spectral radius of an operator $T \in \mathcal{B}_\rho$ is not the same as the spectral radius in $B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$, since f does not satisfy the GRS condition.

Proof of Theorem 3.12

Assume $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda$ is an invertible operator on $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ with finite support. Let $A, B > 0$ be the bounds in

$$A\|f\| \leq \|Tf\| \leq B\|f\|, \quad \forall f \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$$

Then, as shown in (58)

$$(66) \quad T^{-1} = \frac{2}{A+B} \sum_{n \geq 0} R^n T^*$$

where $R = 1 - \frac{2}{A+B} T^* T$. Since R has finite support let $N := |\text{supp}(R)| < \infty$ and $R_0 > 0$ so that $\text{supp}(R) \subset E_{R_0}(0)$.

The goal is to show there exists a $\rho > 0$ so that $T^{-1} \in \mathcal{B}_\rho$. Clearly each term in (66) belongs to \mathcal{B}_ρ . The only problem is to check the series converges in \mathcal{B}_ρ . To do so it is sufficient to show that

$$(67) \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\|R^n\|_{\mathcal{B}_\rho})^{1/n} < 1$$

Let us choose $\rho = \frac{1}{R_0} \ln \frac{B+A}{2(B-A)}$. Then $e^{\rho R_0} \|R\| \leq \frac{1}{2}$. Now we apply Lemma 5.1 to the algebra \mathcal{B}_ρ , since $f(x) = e^{\rho\|x\|}$ is a submultiplicative weight. We obtain:

$$(\|R^n\|_{\mathcal{B}_\rho})^{1/n} \leq (n+1)^{N/(2n)} e^{\rho R_0} \|R\|$$

By choice of ρ we obtain (67) which ends the proof of Theorem 3.12. Q.E.D.

Let us turn now to Theorem 3.14. First we recall the mixed norm Banach space introduced in Section 3. For a compact neighborhood of the origin I we denote by $L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I)$ the mixed norm Banach space defined in (26). An operator $T = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda U_\lambda \in \mathcal{A}$ extends from $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ to $L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I)$ by

$$(68) \quad f \in L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I) \mapsto \mathbf{T}f(x, y) = \sum_{\lambda=(t,\omega) \in \Lambda} c_\lambda e^{i(\omega, x+iy)} f(x-t, y), \quad \forall (x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times I$$

Assume that for all $\lambda = (t, \omega) \in \Lambda$, $\|\omega\| \leq \Omega$, in other words $\Lambda \subset \mathbf{R}^d \times E_\Omega(0)$. Assume also $I \subset E_\rho(0)$, for some $\rho > 0$. Then

$$\|\mathbf{T}f\|_{2,\infty} \leq \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \sup_{y \in I} e^{-\langle \omega, y \rangle} \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}^d} |f(x, y)|^2 dx \right)^{1/2} \leq e^{\rho \Omega} \sum_{\lambda} |c_\lambda| \|f\|_{2,\infty}$$

Thus

$$(69) \quad \|\mathbf{T}\|_{B(L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I))} \leq e^{\rho \Omega} \|\mathbf{T}\|_{\mathcal{A}}$$

This proves T extends to a bounded operator \mathbf{T} on $L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I)$. Let $T^{(y)}$ denotes the restriction of \mathbf{T} to the ‘‘slice’’ indexed by y of $L^{2,\infty}$:

$$(70) \quad T^{(y)} : L^2(\mathbf{R}^d) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbf{R}^d), \quad T^{(y)}f(x) = \sum_{\lambda=(t,\omega)} c_\lambda e^{-\langle \omega, y \rangle} U_\lambda f(x)$$

Note for $\Lambda \in \mathbf{R}^d \times E_\Omega(0)$ each $T^{(y)} \in \mathcal{A}$ and

$$(71) \quad \|\mathbf{T}\|_{L^{2,\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d \times I)} = \sup_{y \in I} \|T^{(y)}\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))}$$

Now we are ready to prove Theorem 3.14.

Proof of Theorem 3.14

- (1) The estimate (29) follows from (69).
- (2) From (70), (71) and Corollary 3.8 we get:

$$e^{-\langle \omega, y \rangle} |c_\lambda| \leq \|T^{(y)}\|_{B(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))} \leq \|T\|_{B(X_\rho)}$$

Combine now with (29) to obtain:

$$|c_\lambda| \leq C e^{\rho\Omega + \langle \omega, y \rangle}$$

Assume there is a $\lambda = (t, \omega) \in \Lambda$ so that $\|\omega\| > \Omega$. Choose $y \in E_\rho(0)$ so that $\langle \omega, y \rangle = -\rho\|\omega\|$. Then

$$|c_\lambda| \leq C e^{-\rho(\|\omega\| - \Omega)}$$

should hold valid for all $\rho > 0$. At limit $\rho \rightarrow \infty$ we get $|c_\lambda| \leq 0$ which proves that $\text{supp}(T) \subset \mathbf{R}^d \times E_\Omega(0)$.

(3) and (4) follows from (1) and (2) by noticing that Fourier transform is an intertwining operator between the translation shift and the modulation shift that switches the modulation and translation parameters. Thus (3) and (4) reduce to (1) and (2). Q.E.D.

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