

Shilov boundary for "holomorphic functions" on a quantum matrix ball

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Abstract

The Shilov boundary of a compact Hausdorff space X relative to a uniform algebra \mathcal{A} in $C(X)$ is the smallest closed subset $K \subset X$ such that every function in \mathcal{A} achieves its maximum modulus on K . This notion is encountered, in particular, in the theory of analytic functions in relation to the maximum modulus principle. We will be interested in its non-commutative analog. The latter was introduced by W. Arveson.

In the middle of 90s, within the framework of the quantum group theory, L.Vaksman and his coauthors started a "quantisation" of bounded symmetric domains. One of the simplest of such domains is the matrix ball $\mathbb{D} = \{z \in Mat_m : zz^* < I\}$, where Mat_m is the algebra of complex $m \times m$ matrices. The Shilov boundary of \mathbb{D} relative to the algebra of holomorphic functions in $C(\overline{\mathbb{D}})$ is the set of unitary $m \times m$ -matrices. In this talk I will discuss the Shilov boundary ideal for the q -analog of holomorphic functions on the unit ball. This is a joint work with O.Bershtein and O.Gisselson.