

The norm density of A is exactly the continuum

`MathlibAnnex.CStarAlgebra.CAR.hasDensityCharacter_atomicCounterexampleAlgebra`

Proves both existence of a dense set of the stated size and minimality of that size.

Statement

The fixed CAR-based C^* -algebra A has norm density character exactly $\mathfrak{c} = 2^{\aleph_0}$.

Assumptions

Let $A \subseteq B(H_{\text{at}})$ be the fixed unital C^* -algebra obtained by adjoining the chosen shell-link unitaries to the atomic representation of the CAR algebra C , and then taking the norm-closed unital $*$ -algebra they generate. Density is computed in the norm topology on A ; no CH assumption is made.

Conclusion

There exists a norm-dense subset $D \subseteq A$ with $|D| = \mathfrak{c}$, and every norm-dense subset $E \subseteq A$ satisfies $\mathfrak{c} \leq |E|$. Thus $\text{dens}(A) = \mathfrak{c}$.

Proof route

Combine the carrier-cardinality upper bound with the lower bound for every norm-dense subset.

Proof steps

1. The full carrier A provides a dense witness of cardinality at most $\mathfrak{c}$.
2. Apply the lower bound for all norm-dense subsets of A to that witness to obtain exact cardinality $\mathfrak{c}$.
3. Apply the lower bound for all norm-dense subsets of A to an arbitrary dense subset for the universal minimality bound.

Lean realization notes

HasDensityCharacter contains an attained dense witness and a universal lower bound. This is not a statement about the strong-operator topology on a represented copy of A or an algebraic dimension.

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Main citations

[MathlibAnnex.CStarAlgebra.CAR.continuum_le_cardinalMk_dense_atomicCounterexampleAlgebra](#)

[MathlibAnnex.Topology.HasDensityCharacter.of_cardinalMk_le_of_forall_dense](#)

Lean source declaration (exact)

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/-- The exact norm density of the same fixed algebra is continuum. -/  
theorem hasDensityCharacter_atomicCounterexampleAlgebra :  
HasDensityCharacter AtomicCounterexampleAlgebra Cardinal.continuum :=  
HasDensityCharacter.of_cardinalMk_le_of_forall_dense  
cardinalMk_atomicCounterexampleAlgebra_le_continuum  
continuum_le_cardinalMk_dense_atomicCounterexampleAlgebra
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