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Lower characteristic, weakly demicompact and semi-Fredholm linear operators

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Abstract. In this paper, we show that a lower characteristic linear operator *T* acting on a Banach space, can be characterized by some measures of weak noncompactness and the weakly demicompact.

1. Introduction

Let *X* and *Y* be two Banach spaces. By $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ the Banach space of all bounded linear operators from *X* into *Y* and by $\mathcal{K}(X, Y)$ the subspace of all compact operators of $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$. If $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ then $\alpha(T)$ denotes the dimension of the kernel N(T) and $\beta(T)$ the codimension of R(T) in *Y*. The classes of upper semi-Fredholm from *X* into *Y* are defined respectively by

 $\Phi_+(X, Y) := \{T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y) \text{ such that } \alpha(T) < \infty \text{ and } R(T) \text{ closed in } Y\},\$

and

 $\Phi_{-}(X, Y) := \{T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y) \text{ such that } \beta(T) < \infty \text{ and } R(T) \text{ closed in } Y\}.$

 $\Phi(X, Y) := \Phi_+(X, Y) \cap \Phi_-(X, Y)$ is the set of Fredholm operators from *X* into *Y*. If X = Y, the sets $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$, $\mathcal{K}(X, Y)$, $\Phi(X, Y)$, $\Phi_+(X, Y)$, and $\Phi_-(X, Y)$ are replaced by $\mathcal{L}(X)$, $\mathcal{K}(X)$, $\Phi(X)$, $\Phi_+(X)$, and $\Phi_-(X)$, respectively. The index of an operator $T \in \Phi(X)$ is $i(T) := \alpha(T) - \beta(T)$.

The operator *T* is said to be a Dunford-Pettis (for short property DP operator) if it maps weakly compact sets into compact sets. In particular, if *T* is a DP operator, then $x_n \rightarrow 0$ implies $\lim ||Tx_n|| = 0$ (see [5]). Given an operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$, we denote by

$$R^{\infty}(T) = \bigcap_{n=0}^{\infty} R(T^n).$$

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We start this section by recalling some notations, results and definitions of weak noncompactness measure [4]. If $x \in X$ and r > 0, then B(x, r) will denote the closed ball of X with a center at x and a radius r. We denote by B_X the closed unit ball in X and

$$S_X = \{ x \in X : ||x|| = 1 \}.$$

Throughout this section, *X* denotes a Banach space. For any r > 0, B_r denotes the closed ball in *X* centered at 0_X with radius r, and B_X denotes the closed ball in *X* centered at 0_X with radius 1. Ω_X is the collection of all nonempty bounded subsets of *X*, and \mathcal{K}^w is the subset of Ω_X consisting of all weakly compact subsets of *X*. Recall that the notion of the measure of weak noncompactness was introduced by De Blasi [3]; it is the map $\omega : \Omega_X \longrightarrow [0, +\infty)$ defined in the following way:

$$\omega(\mathcal{M}) = \inf\{r > 0: \text{ there exists } K \in \mathcal{K}^w \text{ such that } \mathcal{M} \subset K + B_r\},\$$

for all $M \in \Omega_X$. For more convenience, let us recall some basic properties of $\omega(.)$ needed below (see, for example, [2, 3]) (see also [1], where an axiomatic approach to the notion of a measure of weak noncompactness is presented).

Lemma 1.1. Let M_1 and M_2 be two elements of Ω_X . Then, the following conditions are satisfied:

(1)
$$\mathcal{M}_1 \subset \mathcal{M}_2$$
 implies $\omega(\mathcal{M}_1) \leq \omega(\mathcal{M}_2)$.

(2) $\omega(\mathcal{M}_1) = 0$ if, and only if, $\overline{\mathcal{M}_1}^w \in \mathcal{K}^w$, where $\overline{\mathcal{M}_1}^w$ is the weak closure of the subset \mathcal{M}_1 .

(3)
$$\omega(\mathcal{M}_1^w) = \omega(\mathcal{M}_1).$$

(4) $\omega(\mathcal{M}_1 \cup \mathcal{M}_2) = \max\{\omega(\mathcal{M}_1), \omega(\mathcal{M}_2)\}.$

(5) $\omega(\lambda \mathcal{M}_1) = |\lambda| \omega(\mathcal{M}_1)$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

(6) $\omega(co(\mathcal{M}_1)) = \omega(\mathcal{M}_1)$, where $co(\mathcal{M}_1)$ is the convex hull of \mathcal{M}_1 .

(7) $\omega(\mathcal{M}_1 + \mathcal{M}_2) \leq \omega(\mathcal{M}_1) + \omega(\mathcal{M}_2).$

(8) if $(\mathcal{M}_n)_{n\geq 1}$ is a decreasing sequence of nonempty, bounded, and weakly closed subsets of X with $\lim_{n\to\infty} \omega(\mathcal{M}_n) = 0$, then $\mathcal{M}_{\infty} := \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{M}_n$ is nonempty and $\omega(\mathcal{M}_{\infty}) = 0$ i.e., \mathcal{M}_{∞} is relatively weakly compact.

Remark 1.1. $\omega(B_X) \in \{0, 1\}$. Indeed, it is obvious that $\omega(B_X) \le 1$. Let r > 0 be given such that there is a weakly compact K of X satisfying $B_X \subset K + rB_X$. Hence, $\omega(B_X) \le r\omega(B_X)$. If $\omega(B_X) \ne 0$, then $r \ge 1$. Thus, $\omega(B_X) \ge 1$.

Let *X* be a Banach space and M_X consisting of all relatively weakly compact sets. Let us recall an expressive example of measure of weak noncompactness of operators (see [6–9]).

Definition 1.1. Let X and Y be two Banach spaces and ω be the De Blasi measure of weak noncompactness in the space Y. We define the function

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_{\omega} : \mathcal{L}(X,Y) &\longrightarrow & [0,\infty[\\ T &\longrightarrow & \Theta_{\omega}(T) = \omega(T(B_X)). \end{aligned}$$

 Θ_{ω} is a measure of weak noncompactness of operators associated with ω .

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Proposition 1.1. [9] Let X and Y be two complex Banach spaces and T, $S \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$. Then,

(i) $\omega(T(D)) \leq \Theta_{\omega}(T)\omega(D)$, for every $D \in \mathcal{M}_X$. (ii) $\Theta_{\omega}(T) \leq ||T||$. (iii) $\Theta_{\omega}(ST) \leq \Theta_{\omega}(S)\Theta_{\omega}(T)$. (iv) $\Theta_{\omega}(\lambda T) = ||\lambda|\Theta_{\omega}(T)$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. (v) If X = Y, then $\Theta_{\omega}(T^n) \leq (\Theta_{\omega}(T))^n$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. (vi) Let $C \geq 0$ such that for every $x \in X$, $||Tx|| \leq C||x||$. Then,

$$\omega(T(D)) \le C\omega(D),$$

for every $D \in \mathcal{M}_X$. (vii) Let $C \ge 0$ such that for every $x \in X$, $||x|| \le C||Tx||$. Then,

$$\omega(D) \le C\omega(T(D)),$$

for every $D \in \mathcal{M}_X$.

Definition 1.2. Let X be a Banach space and let $T : X \longrightarrow X$, be a bounded linear operator. The operator T is said to be weakly demicompact (or weakly relative demicompact), if for every bounded sequence $(x_n)_n \in X$ such that $x_n - Tx_n \rightarrow x \in X$, then there exists a weakly convergent subsequence of $(x_n)_n$.

Definition 1.3. For $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$, we define the "lower" characteristic

$$[T]_a = \sup\{k : k > 0, \ \omega(T(M)) \ge k\omega(M) \text{ for all bounded } M \subset X\}$$

$$(1.1)$$

as elements of $[0, \infty]$.

Note that in finite dimensional spaces we have $[T]_a = \infty$. In infinite dimensional spaces, where this characteristic is of more use, we get

$$[T]_a = \inf_{0 < \omega(M) < \infty} \frac{\omega(T(M))}{\omega(M)}.$$

Sets with $\omega(M) = 0$ can be left out here, since the continuity of *T* assures that also $\omega(T(M)) = 0$. This can be seen by considering $\omega(T(M)) \le \omega(T(\overline{M}))$.

The paper is organized in the following way. In Section 2, we present the main results of this paper. We prove that *T* is weakly demicompact if, and only if, $[I - T]_a > 0$, where $[\cdot]_a$ is the "lower" characteristic. In Section 3, we present some results concerning the weak demicompactness, semi-Fredholm and lower characteristic.

2. Main results

Theorem 2.1. Let *X* be a Banach space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Suppose that $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(T)$ is relatively compact. Then, *T* is weakly demicompact if, and only if, $[I - T]_a > 0$.

Proof. Assume that *T* is weakly demicompact. We first show that N(I - T) is finite dimensional. Let

$$M = \{x \in X \text{ such that } (I - T)x = 0 \text{ and } ||x|| = 1\}$$
$$= S_X \bigcap N(I - T),$$

and $(x_n)_n$ be a bounded sequence of *M*. Observe that

$$N(I-T) \subset R^{\infty}(T).$$

Then,

$$M = S_X \bigcap N(I-T) \subset S_X \bigcap R^{\infty}(T).$$

Since *M* is closed and $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(T)$ is compact, then *M* is compact. Consequently, N(I - T) is of finite dimension. Now, in order to show that R(I - T) is closed it suffices to show that I - T takes closed bounded

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sets of *X* into a closed set of *X*. For this purpose, let $(x_n)_n$ be a sequence of a closed bounded set *D* such that $y_n = (I - T)x_n \rightarrow y \in X$. Since *T* is weakly demicompact, there exists a subsequence $(x_{n_i})_i$ of $(x_n)_n$ which converges weakly to $x \in X$. As *D* is closed, it follows that $x \in D$. Taking into account that I - T is a bounded operator, we deduce that y = (I - T)x and consequently, (I - T)(D) is closed. Thus, we conclude that I - T is upper semi-Fredholm. Since dim $N(I - T) < \infty$, we may find a closed subspace X_0 of *X* with $X = X_0 \oplus N(I - T)$. The projection $P : X \longrightarrow X_0$ satisfies $[P]_a = 1$, since I - P is compact. Consider the canonical isomorphism $\tilde{L} : X_0 \longrightarrow R(I - T)$. Since $I - T = \tilde{L}P$ and $[\tilde{L}]_a > 0$, we conclude that also

$$[I-T]_a \ge [L]_a [P]_a > 0.$$

Inversely, suppose that $[I - T]_a > 0$ and fix $k \in (0, [I - T]_a)$. Since the set $M = N(I - T) \cap B_X$ is mapped into $(I - T)(M) = \{0\}$, we get

$$\omega(M) \leq \frac{1}{k}\omega((I-T)(M)) = 0,$$

which show that \overline{M} is compact, and hence N(I-T) is finite dimensional. We prove now that the range R(I-T) of I - T is closed. Since dim $N(I - T) < \infty$, there exists a closed subspace $X_0 \subset X$ such that $X = X_0 \oplus N(I - T)$. Let $(y_n)_n$ be a sequence in R(I - T) converging to some $y \in Y$, and choose $(x_n)_n$ in X with $(I - T)x_n = y_n$. Now, we distinguish two cases. First, suppose that $(x_n)_n$ is bounded. With k > 0 as before we get then

$$\omega(\{x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n, \cdots\}) \leq \frac{1}{k} \omega(\{y_1, y_2, \cdots, y_n, \cdots\}) = 0,$$

and hence $x_{n_k} \to x$ for some subsequence $(x_{n_k})_k$ of $(x_n)_n$ and suitable $x \in X$. By continuity we see that (I - T)x = y, and so $y \in R(I - T)$. On the other hand, suppose that $||x_n|| \to \infty$. Set $e_n = \frac{x_n}{||x_n||}$ and $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, \dots\}$. Then, clearly $E \subset \{x \in X : ||x|| = 1\}$ and

$$(I-T)e_n = \frac{(I-T)x_n}{\|x_n\|} = \frac{y_n}{\|x_n\|} \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$

Hence, $\omega((I - T)(E)) = 0$. On the other hand, $\omega((I - T)(E)) \ge k\omega(E)$, by (1.1), and thus $\omega(E) = 0$. Whithout loss of generality we may assume that the sequence $(e_n)_n$ converge to some element $e \in \{x \in X_0 : ||x|| = 1\}$. So, (I - T)e = 0, contradicting the fact that $X_0 \cap N(I - T) = \{0\}$. So, $I - T \in \Phi_+(X)$. Thus, there exist $T_l \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ and $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$ such that

$$T_l(I-T) = I - K$$

Let $(x_n)_n$ be a bounded sequence of *X* such that Then,

$$(I-T)x_n \rightharpoonup y \in X.$$

$$T_l(I-T)x_n = (I-K)x_n \rightarrow T_l y.$$

As *K* is compact, then $(Kx_n)_n$ has a convergent and then a weakly convergent subsequence. We deduce that $(x_n)_n$ admits a weakly convergent subsequence. So, weakly demicompact and the proof is achieved. Q.E.D.

Corollary 2.1. Let X be a Banach space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Suppose that $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(T)$ is relatively compact. Then, T is weakly demicompact if, and only if, $I - T \in \Phi_+(X, Y)$.

Proof. A consequence direct of the proof of Theorem 2.1.

Corollary 2.2. Let X be a Banach space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Then, $T \in \Phi_+(X, Y)$ if, and only if, $[T]_a > 0$.

Proof. A consequence direct of the proof of Theorem 2.1.

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3. Weak demicompactness, semi-Fredholm and lower characteristic

Lemma 3.1. [11] An operator A is in $\Phi_+(X)$ with $i(A) \le 0$, if and only if, there exists two operators A_0 and K such that A_0 is in $\Phi_+(X)$ and one to one, and K is a finite rank operator such that $A = A_0 + K$.

Lemma 3.2. Let X be a Banach space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Let $(x_n)_n$ be a bounded sequence of X such that $(I-T)x_n \rightarrow x \in X$. Assume that $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(T)$ is relatively compact. If $[T]_a > 0$ and i(I - T) > 0, then $(x_n)_n$ admits a weakly convergent subsequence.

Proof. If $[T]_a > 0$, then by using Corollary 2.2, we have $I - T \in \Phi_+(X)$. Since i(I - T) > 0, then $I - T \in \Phi(X)$. By using [10, Theorem 7.2], there exists $A \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ and $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$ such that

$$A(I-T) = I + K.$$

Let $(x_n)_n$ be a bounded sequence of X such that

$$(I - T)x_n \rightarrow x \in X.$$

Then,

$$A(I-T)x_n \rightharpoonup Ax.$$

Hence, $(x_n + Kx_n)_n$ converges weakly to Ax. Since K is compact, then $(Kx_n)_n$ has a convergent, and then a weakly convergent, subsequence. It follows that $(x_n)_n$ admits a weakly convergent subsequence. Q.E.D.

Lemma 3.3. Let X be a Banach space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Let $(x_n)_n$ be a bounded sequence of X such that $(I-T)x_n \rightarrow x \in X$. Assume that $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(T)$ is relatively compact. If $[T]_a > 0$ and $i(I - T) \le 0$, then $(x_n)_n$ admits a weakly convergent subsequence.

Proof. If $[T]_a > 0$, then by using Corollary 2.2, we have $I - T \in \Phi_+(X)$. Since $i(I - T) \le 0$, then, in view of Lemma 3.1, there exists a bounded below operator A_0 and $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$ such that

$$I - T = A_0 + K.$$

Let $(x_n)_n$ be a bounded sequence in X such that $(I - T)x_n \rightarrow x \in X$. Then, $((A_0 + K)x_n)_n$ converges weakly on X. Since K is compact, then $(Kx_n)_n$ has a convergent subsequence $(Kx_{\varphi(n)})_n$. Consequently, $(A_0x_{\varphi(n)})_n$ is a weakly convergent sequence. Since A_0 is bounded below, then there exist a positive constant C such that

$$\|x\| \le C \|A_0 x\|$$

for all $x \in X$. Let $D = \{x_n : n \in N\}$, then by using Proposition 1.1, we get

$$\omega(D) \le C\omega(A_0(D)).$$

Thus, $\omega(D) = 0$ and therefore, $(x_{\varphi(n)})_n$ has a weakly convergent subsequence.

Lemma 3.4. Let X be a Banach space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Assume that there exists an entire function $f : \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that f(T) is a DP operator and f(1) = 1 and $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(T)$ is relatively compact. If $[I - T]_a > 0$, then $\alpha(I - T - K) < \infty$ for any compact operator $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$.

Proof. Let $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$ and take a sequence $(x_n)_n \in B_X \cap N(I - T - K)$. Then, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$(I-T-K)x_n=0.$$

Since *K* is compact, there exists a subsequence of $(x_n)_n$, still denoted $(x_n)_n$, such that

$$Kx_n \to x \in X.$$

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Hence,

 $(I-T)x_n \to x \in X.$

Therefore,

$$(I-T)x_n \rightharpoonup x \in X.$$

Taking into account the fact that $[I - T]_a > 0$ and Theorem 2.1, we infer that *T* is weakly demicompact, we deduce that $(x_n)_n$ has a subsequence $(x_{\varphi(n)})_n$ such that

 $x_{\varphi(n)} \rightharpoonup a \in X.$

(I-T)a = x.

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Furthermore, it is easy to see that

$$a \in B_X \bigcap N(I - T - K)$$

and

$$f(T+K)a = a \quad and \quad f(T+K)x_n = x_n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(3.1)

Let $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$, then from (3.2)

$$f(T+K) - f(T) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n [(T+K)^n - T^n] \in \mathcal{K}(X).$$
(3.2)

This implies that f(T + K) is a DP operator and

$$f(T+K)x_n \rightarrow f(T+K)a.$$

 $x_n \rightarrow a$.

By using (3.1), we infer that

We conclude that $B_X \cap N(I - T - K)$ is a compact set.

Proposition 3.1. Let X be a Banach space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Assume that $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(T)$ is relatively compact and there exists an entire function $f : \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that f(T) is a DP operator and f(1) = 1. Then, T is weakly demicompact, if and only if, $[T]_a > 0$.

Proof. If $[T]_a > 0$, then by using Corollary 2.2, we have $I - T \in \Phi_+(X)$. Let $(x_n)_n$ be a bounded sequence of *X* such that

$$(I-T)x_n \rightharpoonup x \in X.$$

There are two cases.

First case: If i(I - T) > 0, then by using Lemma 3.2, we have $(x_n)_n$ admits a weakly convergent subsequence. *Second case*: If $i(I - T) \le 0$, then by using Lemma 3.3, we have $(x_n)_n$ admits a weakly convergent subsequence. So, in the two cases *T* is weakly demicompact.

Inversely, suppose that *T* is weakly demicompact. By using Lemma 3.4, we have $\alpha(I - T - K) < \infty$ for any compact operator $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$. The result follows from [11, Theorem 1] and Corollary 2.2. Q.E.D.

Lemma 3.5. Let X be a Banach space, $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. If $[I - T]_a > 0$ and i(I - T) > 0, then for all bounded set D of X, we have

$$\omega(D) \le C\omega((I-T)(D)),$$

where C > 0.

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Proof. If $[I - T]_a > 0$ and i(I - T) > 0, then by using [10, Theorem 7.2], there exists a bounded operator A and a compact operator K such that

$$A(I-T) = I + K.$$

Let *D* be a bounded set of *X*. Then,

$$\omega(D) \leq \omega((A(I-T)(D)) \\ \leq ||A||\omega((I-T)(D))$$

This completes the proof.

Lemma 3.6. Let X be a Banach space, $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. If $[I - T]_a > 0$ and $i(I - T) \leq 0$, then for all bounded set D of X, we have

$$\omega(D) \le C\omega((I-T)(D)),$$

where C > 0.

Proof. If $[I - T]_a > 0$ and $i(I - T) \le 0$, then by using Lemma 3.1, there exists a compact operator K and a bounded below operator A_0 such that

$$I - T = K + A_0$$

Since A_0 is bounded below, there exists a positive constant C such that

 $||x|| \leq C ||A_0 x||,$

for all $x \in X$. Hence, by applying Proposition 1.1, we get

$$\omega(D) \le C\omega((I-T)(D)),$$

for any bounded set $D \subset X$.

Lemma 3.7. Assume that there exists a positive constant C such that for every bounded set D of X, we have

$$\omega(D) \le C\omega((I - T)(D)).$$

Let $(x_n)_n$ be a bounded sequence of X such that $(I - T)x_n \rightarrow x \in X$. Then, $(x_n)_n$ has a weakly convergent subsequence.

Proof. Choose $D = \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. It is clear that *D* is a bounded set of *X* such that $\omega((I - T)(D)) = 0$. Hence, $\omega(D) = 0$. Hence, $(x_n)_n$ has a weakly convergent subsequence. Q.E.D.

Theorem 3.1. Let X be a Banach space, $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Assume that $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(T)$ is relatively compact and there exists a complex polynomial P satisfying P(1) = 1 such that P(T + K) is DP for all $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$. Then, $[T]_a > 0$ if and only *if, there exists a positive constant* C *such that for all bounded sets* $D \subset X$ *,*

$$\phi(D) \le C\omega((SI - T)(D)).$$

Proof. If $[T]_a > 0$, then by using Corollary 2.2, we have $I - T \in \Phi_+(X)$. If i(I - T) > 0, then by using Lemma 3.5, we have

$$\omega(D) \le ||A||\omega((I-T)(D)),$$

for all $D \subset X$. If $i(I - T) \leq 0$, then by using Lemma 3.6, we have

$$\omega(D) \le C\omega((I - T)(D)),$$

for all $D \subset X$. Now, choose $C' = \max(||A||, C)$, then for any bounded subset D of X, we have

$$\omega(D) \le C' \omega((I - T)(D)).$$

Inversely, by using Lemma 3.7, we have T is weakly demicompact. The result follows from Theorem 2.1. Q.E.D.

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Proposition 3.2. Let X be a Banach space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Suppose that $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(T)$ is relatively compact and assume that there exists an entire function $f : \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that f(T) is a DP operator and f(1) = 1. Then, $[I - T]_a > 0$ if and only if for all $D \in \mathcal{M}_X$ such that $\omega(T(D)) = 0$, we have $\omega(D) = 0$.

Proof. Suppose that $[I - T]_a > 0$. Then, by using Proposition 3.1, shows that I - T is weakly demicompact. Theorem 3.1 ensures the existence of a positive constant *C* such that for all bounded sets $D \subset X$, we have

$$\omega(D) \le C\omega(T(D)).$$

Hence, if $\omega(T(D)) = 0$, then $\omega(D) = 0$ for all $D \in \mathcal{M}_X$. Conversely, assume that $\omega(T(D)) = 0$, then $\omega(D) = 0$ whenever $D \in \mathcal{M}_X$. According to Proposition 3.1, to prove that $[T]_a > 0$. By using Corollary 2.2, we have $T \in \Phi_+(X)$, it suffices to prove that I - T is weakly demicompact. For this purpose, let $(x_n)_n \in X$ be a bounded sequence such that $Tx_n \rightarrow x$, for some $x \in X$. Put $D = \{x_n, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Hence, $\omega(T(D)) = 0$ and so $\omega(D) = 0$. Accordingly, I - T is weakly demicompact. This ends the proof. Q.E.D.

Lemma 3.8. [10] Let X be a Banach space and $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$. Then, $I \pm K \in \Phi(X)$ and $i(I \pm K) = 0$.

Proposition 3.3. Let X be a Banach space and P be a bounded projection on X. Suppose that $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(P)$ is relatively compact. Assume that P is a DP operator. Then, the following assertions are equivalents

(i) $[I - P]_a > 0.$ (ii) $P \in \mathcal{K}(X).$ (iii) $I \pm P \in \Phi(X)$ and $i(I \pm P) = 0.$

Proof. (*i*) \Longrightarrow (*ii*) Let *P* be a bounded DP projection on *X*. If $[I - P]_a > 0$, then by using Theorem 2.1, *P* is weakly demicompact. Hence, by using Corollary 2.1, we deduce that $I - P \in \Phi_+(X)$. Consequently, R(P) = N(I-P) is finite dimensional. This proves that *P* is a finite rank operator which implies that $P \in \mathcal{K}(X)$. (*ii*) \Longrightarrow (*iii*) Suppose that $P \in \mathcal{K}(X)$, then $\pm P \in \mathcal{K}(X)$. By using Lemma 3.8, we get the desired result. (*iii*) \Longrightarrow (*i*) Since $I - P \in \Phi(X)$, then R(I-P) = N(I-P) is finite dimensional. Hence, *P* is a finite rank operator. this proves that *P* is a DP operator. In view of Corollary 2.1, we deduce that *P* is weakly demicompact. The result follows from Theorem 2.1. Q.E.D.

Proposition 3.4. Let X be a Banach space, \mathbb{D} be the unit disk of the complex plane and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Suppose that $S_X \cap R^{\infty}(T)$ is relatively compact. Assume that $\Theta_{\omega}(T^m) < 1$ for some positive integer m. Then, $[I - \lambda T]_a > 0$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{D}$.

Proof. Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{D}$ and $(x_n)_n$ be a bounded sequence such that

$$x_n - \lambda T x_n \rightharpoonup x \in X.$$

Obviously, there exists a bounded operator $S \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ such that

$$I - \lambda^m T^m = S(I - \lambda T).$$

Hence, using the properties of the De Blasi measure of weak noncompactness, we get

$$\omega(\{x_n\}) = \omega(\{\lambda^m T^m x_n\}) + \omega(\{x_n - \lambda^m T^m x_n\})$$

= $|\lambda|^m \Theta_{\omega}(T^m) w(\{x_n\})$
= $\Theta_{\omega}(T^m) \omega(\{x_n\}).$

Thus, $\omega(\{x_n\}) = 0$. This shows that λT is weakly demicompact. The result follows from Theorem 2.1. Q.E.D.

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