

An Open Problem—or Two ...

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If \mathcal{A}'' acts on H and $G = pH$, then $\Phi \in \mathcal{B}(H, G)$. I did not figure out yet, if this helps.

Another open problem. (Appendix C in Shalit-ms 2020.)
(Though, I did not really research for an existing answer.)

- ▶ Vector spaces: $V \supset V_i, W \supset W_i$

$$(V_1 \otimes W_1) \cap (V_2 \otimes W_2) = (V_1 \cap V_2) \otimes (W_1 \cap W_2).$$

(Elementary linear algebra of tensor products.)

- ▶ Hilbert spaces: $G \supset G_i, H \supset H_i$

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(Quite different proof. Generalizes to von Neumann modules.)

Question: Is it true for C^* -correspondences $E \supset E_i, F \supset F_i$ that

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Relevance: Is the intersection of two product subsystems a product subsystem?

The obvious inclusion of RHS in LHS \rightsquigarrow intersection of superproduct subsystems is a superproduct subsystem.

For the intersection of subproduct subsystems we don't know.

Thank you!

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