

# Closed Ideals in $\mathcal{L}(\ell_p \oplus \ell_q)$

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## Main Problem

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If  $U = V$  and  $S$  identity we write  $\mathcal{J}^U(X, Y)$ , **closed ideal generated by the operators factoring through the space  $U$ .**

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It follows that (Volkman '76):

$\mathcal{J}^{\ell_p} = \{T \in \mathcal{L}(\ell_p \oplus \ell_q) : T_{(2,2)} \in \mathcal{K}(\ell_q)\}$  and

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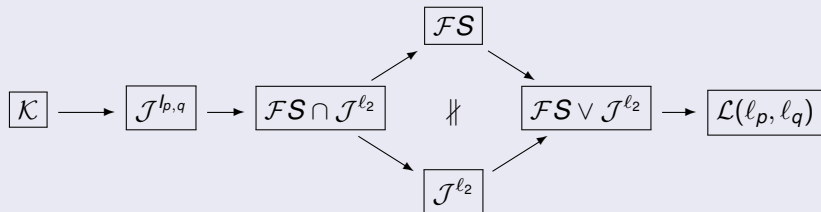
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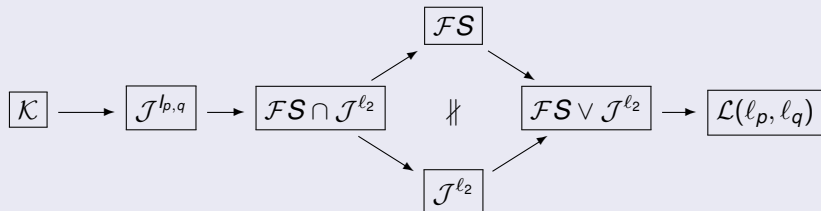
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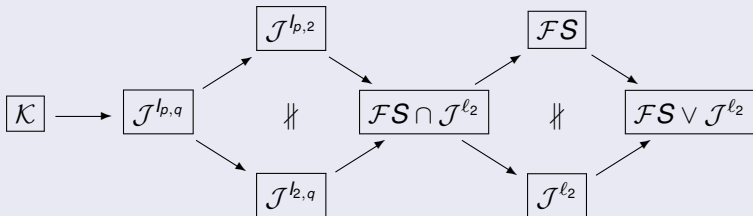


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