## **ISTANBUL ANALYSIS SEMINARS**

## ASPECTS OF OPERATOR THEORY ON WEIGHTED SYMMETRIC FOCK SPACES

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Abstract: The weighted symmetric Fock spaces  $\mathcal{F}_b$  considered with weight sequence  $b = \{b_k\}$  are realized as reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces of holomorphic functions on the unit ball  $\mathbb{B}$  of  $\mathbb{C}^N$ . Some of them are the Dirichlet spaces  $\mathcal{D}_q$  with kernels

$$K_q(z, w) = (1 - \langle z, w \rangle)^{-(1+N+q)}$$

for q > -(1 + N) and hypergeometric functions for  $q \leq -(1 + N)$ , and include the Drury-Arveson space, Dirichlet space, and Hardy and Bergman Hilbert spaces. We use more function theory than usual to do operator theory on  $\mathcal{F}_b$ . Radial differential operators are prominent throughout.

Our results concern the N-tuple of operators of multiplication by the coordinate functions on each weighted symmetric Fock space  $\mathcal{F}_b$  called the shift  $S_b$ . We characterize the commutant of the shift  $S_b$  as the multiplier algebra of  $\mathcal{F}_b$ . We determine the analytic Hilbert modules among the  $\mathcal{F}_b$ . A von Neumann inequality is an upper bound on the norm of a polynomial of a row contraction of operators on an arbitrary Hilbert space. We obtain a von Neumann inequality in terms of the multiplier norm of a polynomial of  $S_b$  for any b.

Specializing to Dirichlet spaces, we find the  $\mathcal{D}_q$  on which the shift  $S_q$  is subnormal. We show that the  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{T}_q$  of operators on  $\mathcal{D}_q$  generated by  $S_q$  contains all compact operators and certain generalized Toeplitz operators with continuous symbols. We obtain the related short exact sequence of  $C^*$ -algebras for any  $q \in \mathbb{R}$  and show that they all lie in the same Ext class.

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