

# Commuting graph of $B(H)$

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## Abstract

A commuting graph of an algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is a simple graph whose vertices are all noncentral elements of  $\mathcal{A}$ , and where two vertices are connected if they are disjoint and the corresponding elements commute in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Although originally used as a step towards classification of finite simple groups, the commuting graph is recently being studied on various algebraic structures like matrix algebras, semigroups, matrices over semirings, . . . . We will investigate its connectedness and diameter for the algebra of bounded operators on complex Hilbert space. In particular it turns out that for separable Hilbert spaces, there exists an operator  $T$  such that  $X' = T'$  for every nonscalar operator  $X \in T'$ , the commutant of  $T$ .

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