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(sonmez.sahutoglu@utoledo.edu). *The restriction operator on Bergman spaces.*

Let  $\Omega$  be a domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , and  $U$  an open subset of  $\Omega$ . We study the analytic properties of the restriction operator from the Bergman space  $A^2(\Omega)$  to the Bergman space  $A^2(U)$ . We are particularly interested in properties such as closed range and compactness. It turns out that the restriction operator is closely related to the Toeplitz operator on  $A^2(\Omega)$  whose symbol is the characteristic function of  $U$ , and this allows us to use methods from the theory of Toeplitz operator to answer some of the natural questions about the restriction operator. (Received July 30, 2018)