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0 Introduction

Linear Algebra

- matrices
 - eigenvalues
 - eigenvectors
- in finite-dimensional spaces

Analysis

- real and complex valued functions
- differentiation, integration
- sequences
- Limits and Estimates

Table 1: Comparison between linear algebra and analysis

The aim of functional analysis is to solve equations (even linear) where the unknown is a function u . Examples:

ODE $u'(x) = A(x)u(x) + f(x)$ with $u \in \mathcal{C}^1([y_0, y_1], \mathbb{R}^m)$

PDE $\Omega = B_R(0) \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, $\Delta u = f(x)$ in Ω and $u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$. Given $f \in \mathcal{C}^0(\overline{\Omega})$, does there exist $u \in \mathcal{C}^2(\Omega) \cap \mathcal{C}^0(\overline{\Omega})$, such that the equations hold.

Basic objects:

- Function spaces (more general: infinite-dimensional vector spaces)
- Linear operators on or between such spaces

1 Linear spaces

linear space = vector space
 (X, \mathbb{K}) with $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ or $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$.

1.1 Banach spaces

Definition 1.1.1

If (X, \mathbb{K}) is a vector space, then a function $\|\cdot\| : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called a norm on X if for $x, y \in X$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$

- (i) $x \neq 0 \implies \|x\| > 0$ (positivity)
- (ii) $\|\alpha x\| = |\alpha| \|x\|$ (scaling)
- (iii) $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$ (triangle estimate)

The function $\|\cdot\|$ is called seminorm on X , if only (ii) and (iii) hold.

Example 1.1.2

- (i) $X = \mathbb{R}^n$, $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $\|x\|_p = (\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p)^{1/p}$ or $\|x\|_\infty = \max\{|x_i| \mid i = 1, \dots, n\}$ or $\|x\|_{\text{Mielke}} = \|x\|_2 + \|x\|_{\pi^2/7}$
- (ii) $X = \mathcal{C}([a, b], \mathbb{K})$ with $u \in X$. Then we have the norms $\|u\|_\infty = \sup\{|u(t)| \mid t \in [a, b]\}$ or $\|u\|_1 = \int_a^b |u(t)| dt$.
- (iii) $X = \mathcal{C}^1([a, b], \mathbb{K})$. $\|u\| = \int_a^b |u'(t)| dt$ is a seminorm. Positivity fails as $u \equiv 1$, the $u' \equiv 0$ and hence $\|u\| = 0$.

Proposition 1.1.3

If $(X, \mathbb{K}, \|\cdot\|)$ is a seminormed vector space, we obtain a normed space by factoring with respect to the equivalence relation \sim defined by

$$x \sim y \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \|x - y\| = 0$$

This means the following:

We define equivalence classes $[x]_\sim = \{y \in X \mid x \sim y\} \subset X$ and $X_\sim = \{[x]_\sim \mid x \in X\}$ is again a vector space over \mathbb{K} . We can also define a norm $\|[x]_\sim\| = \|x\|$. Of course, one needs to show that this definition is well-posed, meaning "independence of the chosen representative".

Proof: Exercise 1.

Definition 1.1.4

- (i) A sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in X is called a Cauchy sequence, if $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists n_0 \forall n, m \geq n_0 : \|x_n - x_m\| < \varepsilon$.

- (ii) The point $x \in X$ is called *limit of the sequence* $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ if $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N} \forall n \geq n_0 : \|x_n - x\| < \varepsilon$.
- (iii) A normed vector space $(X, \mathbb{K}, \|\cdot\|)$ is called *complete* if for every Cauchy sequence there exists a limit.
- (iv) Complete normed vector spaces are called **Banach spaces**.

Well known fact: Limits of Cauchy sequences are unique! We will write

$$x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \text{ in } X \quad \text{or} \quad x = \underset{x \rightarrow \infty}{X\text{-lim}} x_n \quad \text{or} \quad x_n \xrightarrow{X} x \quad \text{or} \quad \|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$$

Example 1.1.5 (i) Finite dimensional case:

$(\mathbb{Q}^n, \mathbb{Q}, \|\cdot\|_2)$ normed space, but not complete

$(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|_p)$ Banach space

$(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C}, \|\cdot\|_p), (\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|_p)$ Banach space

- (ii) $X = \mathcal{C}([a, b], \mathbb{K})$ with $\|u\|_\infty = \sup\{|u(t)| \mid t \in [a, b]\}$ Cauchy sequence in the $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ -norm means uniform convergence. Hence, a continuous limit function exists. $(\mathcal{C}([a, b], \mathbb{K}), \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ is a Banach space.
- (iii) $X = \mathcal{C}([a, b])$, $\|u\|_1 = \int_a^b |u(t)| dt$ is not complete! Consider

$$u_n(t) = \begin{cases} c_n(t-a)^n & \text{for } t \in \left[a, \frac{a+b}{2}\right] \\ 1 & \text{for } t \in \left[\frac{a+b}{2}, b\right] \end{cases} \quad \text{where } u_n \in \mathcal{C}([a, b]).$$

Claim: (i) $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Cauchy sequence (ii) u_n does not converge, i.e. there is no limit.

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_n - u_m\|_1 &= \int_a^b |u_n(t) - u_m(t)| dt \\ &= \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} |u_n(t) - u_m(t)| dt \\ &\stackrel{\text{wlog}}{=} \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \underbrace{|u_n(t) - u_m(t)|}_{\geq 0} dt = \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m}\right) \frac{a+b}{2} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for } n, m \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

(ii) To produce a contradiction, assume there exists a limit $\tilde{u} \in \mathcal{C}([a, b])$ such that $\|u_n - \tilde{u}\|_1 \rightarrow 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b |u_n(t) - \tilde{u}(t)| dt &= \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b |u_n(t) - \tilde{u}(t)| dt \leq \|u_n - \tilde{u}\|_1 \rightarrow 0 \\ \implies \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b |1 - \tilde{u}(t)| dt &= 0 \implies \tilde{u}(t) = 1 \quad \text{for } t \in \left[\frac{a+b}{2}, b\right] \\ \text{Similarly } \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} |0 - \tilde{u}(t)| dt &\leq \underbrace{\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} |0 - u_n(t)| dt}_{\rightarrow 0} + \underbrace{\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} |u_n - \tilde{u}(t)| dt}_{\rightarrow 0} \\ \implies \tilde{u}(t) &= 0 \quad \text{for } t \in \left[a, \frac{a+b}{2}\right] \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction and therefore no limit exists.

- (iv) Consider the sequence space $X = \{(a_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \exists k_0 \in \mathbb{N} \forall k \geq k_0 : a_k = 0\}$ with $\|(a_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}\|_\infty = \max\{|a_k| \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}$. $(X, \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ is a normed space. This space is not complete. Take the sequence $(a^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $a^{(n)} \in X$ and $a_k^{(n)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{k} & \text{for } k \leq n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$. Then (for $n < m$) $\|a^{(n)} - a^{(m)}\|_\infty = \frac{1}{n+1} \rightarrow 0$ for $n, m \rightarrow \infty$.

There is no limit! Assume $\tilde{a} \in X$ is the limit. Fix $k \in \mathbb{N}$, then $(a_k^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a CS in \mathbb{K} :

$$|a_k^{(n)} - a_k^{(m)}|_{\mathbb{K}} \leq \|a^{(n)} - a^{(m)}\|_\infty \rightarrow 0$$

As $a_k^{(n)} \rightarrow \frac{1}{k}$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$ the limit \tilde{a} must satisfy $\tilde{a}_k = \frac{1}{k} \implies \tilde{a} \notin X$.

Definition 1.1.6

Assume $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is a Banach space. We call a subset $A \subset X$ open, if $\forall x \in A \exists \epsilon > 0 : B_\epsilon^{\|\cdot\|}(x) \subset A$.

A is called closed if $X \setminus A$ is open. For Banach spaces we have A closed $\iff ((x_n)$ CS in $A \implies \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \in A)$.

Lemma 1.1.7

$(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is a Banach space and $U \subset X$ is a closed subspace, then $(U, \|\cdot\|_U)$ is again a Banach space.

- Proof:** (i) $(U, \|\cdot\|)$ is a vector space.
 (ii) $(U, \|\cdot\|)$ is complete as U is closed. □

Every normed vector space can be completed in a "natural and unique" way to a Banach space. Examples to complete \mathbb{Q} to \mathbb{R} :

- (i) Cauchy sequence construction
- (ii) Dedekind cuts: (A, B) is a Dedekind cut of \mathbb{Q} , if $A, B \subset \mathbb{Q}$.
 $\forall a \in A \forall b \in B : a < b$
 $A \cup B = \mathbb{Q}$.
- (iii) Infinite fractions ($\pi = 3.1415805\dots$)
- (iv) nested intervals

There are many completions, but essentially all of them are the same.

Definition 1.1.8

If $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is a normed vector space, we call $(Y, \|\cdot\|)$ a completion of $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ if there exists a mapping $J : X \rightarrow Y$ such that the following holds:

- (i) J is linear
- (ii) J is norm preserving, i.e. $\|Jx\| = \|x\|$ for all $x \in X$.
- (iii) $(Y, \|\cdot\|)$ is Banach space.
- (iv) JX is dense in Y , i.e. Y is the closure of JX .

Theorem 1.1.9

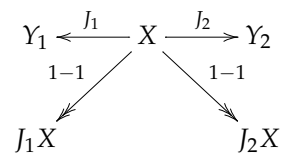
- (i) For every normed vector space exists a completion.
- (ii) For any two completions $(Y_1, \|\cdot\|_1)$ and $(Y_2, \|\cdot\|_2)$ for a normed vector space $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ there exists a linear, bijective and norm preserving mapping $L_1 : Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2$.

Point (ii) allows us to talk about the completion.

Proof: (ii)

We define $\tilde{L}_1 : J_1X \rightarrow J_2X, y = J_1x \mapsto J_2x = J_2J_1^{-1}y$. $\tilde{L}_1 : J_1X \rightarrow J_2X$ is defined as $J_2J_1^{-1}$. Moreover \tilde{L}_1 is norm preserving, namely

$$\|\tilde{L}_1 y_1\|_2 \stackrel{\text{def } \tilde{L}_1}{=} \|J_2 J_1^{-1} y_1\|_2 \stackrel{J_2 \text{ norm preserving}}{=} \|J_1^{-1} y_1\|_X \stackrel{J_1 \text{ norm preserving}}{=} \|y_1\|_1$$



Since J_1X is dense in Y_1 for every $y \in Y$ exists a Cauchy sequence $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $y_n \in J_1X$ and $y_n \xrightarrow{Y_1} y$. Define

$$L_1 y = \begin{cases} \tilde{L}_1 y & \text{if } y \in J_1X \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{L}_1 y_n & \text{for } y_n \in J_1X \text{ and } y_n \rightarrow y, y \notin J_1X \end{cases}$$

L_1 is well-defined, linear and norm preserving, as

$$\|\tilde{L}_1 y_n - \tilde{L}_1 y_m\|_2 = \|\tilde{L}_1 (y_n - y_m)\|_2 = \|y_n - y_m\|_1 \rightarrow 0$$

- (i) Construction of a completion via Cauchy sequences. Define $Z =$ linear space of CS.

$$Z = \{(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \|x_n - x_m\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } n, m \rightarrow \infty\} \text{ with seminorm } \|(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}\|_Z = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|_X \quad (\text{exists})$$

Note that for CS $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ the norms $(\|x_n\|_X)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ form a CS in the complete reals (use $\| \|x_n\| - \|x_m\| \| \leq \|x_n - x_m\|$). It is easy to check that $\| \cdot \|_Z$ is a seminorm on Z . We define the equivalence relation

$$(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sim (y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \|(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} - (y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}\|_Z = 0 \\ \iff x_n - y_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ in } X.$$

$Y = Z/\sim = \{[(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}]_{\sim} \mid (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in Z\}$ with $\|[(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}]\|_Y = \|(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}\|_Z = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|_X$. Hence, we found a normed vector space $(Y, \| \cdot \|_Y)$, which is a candidate for the completion of $(X, \| \cdot \|)$. We define $J : X \rightarrow Y$ via $Jx = [(x, x, x, \dots)]_{\sim}$ such that (i) and (ii) hold.

ad (iv): Given $y \in Y$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Find $x \in X$, such that $\|Jx - y\|_Y < \varepsilon$. $y = [(\tilde{x}_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}]_{\sim}$, $(\tilde{x}_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ CS in X . Hence $\exists n_0 \forall n, m \geq n_0 : \|x_n - x_m\| < \varepsilon$. Choose $x = \tilde{x}_{n_0}$, then $\|Jx - y\|_Y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_0} - x_n\| \leq \varepsilon$.

ad (iii): To prove: Completeness of $(Y, \| \cdot \|)$. CS in Y : $y^{(n)} = [(x_k^{(n)})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}]_{\sim}$, $\|y^{(n)} - y^{(m)}\|_Y \rightarrow 0$. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$ consider $N(k)$ such that $\|x_{n_1}^{(k)} - x_{n_2}^{(k)}\|_X \leq \frac{1}{k}$ for all $n_1, n_2 \geq N(k)$. Now define $\tilde{y} \in Y$ as potential limit via $\tilde{y} = [(\tilde{x}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}]_{\sim}$ with $\tilde{x}_k = x_{N(k)}^{(k)}$. To show, that \tilde{y} is a CS we use

$$\|\tilde{x}_n - \tilde{x}_m\| \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \|x_{N(n)}^{(n)} - x_{N(m)}^{(m)}\| \\ \leq \|x_{N(n)}^{(n)} - x_k^{(n)}\| + \|x_k^{(n)} - x_k^{(m)}\| + \|x_k^{(m)} - x_{N(m)}^{(m)}\| \text{ for every } k \\ \stackrel{\text{Def of } N}{\leq} \frac{1}{n} + \|x_k^{(n)} - x_k^{(m)}\| + \frac{1}{m} \text{ for } k \geq \max\{N(m), N(n)\}$$

For $k \rightarrow \infty$ we can use $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k^{(n)} - x_k^{(m)}\| = \|x^{(n)} - x^{(m)}\|$. Together, we find

$$\|\tilde{x}_n - \tilde{x}_m\| \leq \frac{1}{n} + \|x^{(n)} - x^{(m)}\| + \frac{1}{m} \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } n, m \rightarrow \infty$$

We have to show convergence, i.e. $\|y^{(n)} - y^k\|_Y \rightarrow 0$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$. By definition, we have $\|y^{(n)} - y^k\|_Y = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k^{(n)} - \tilde{x}_k\|$. To show: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k^{(n)} - \tilde{x}_k\|) = 0$.

$$\|x_k^{(n)} - \tilde{x}_k\| \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \|x_k^{(n)} - x_{N(k)}^{(k)}\| \\ \leq \|x_k^{(n)} - x_{N(k)}^{(n)}\| + \|x_{N(k)}^{(n)} - x_{N(k)}^{(k)}\| \\ \leq \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n} + \|y^{(k)} - y^{(n)}\|_Y + \frac{1}{k} \\ \text{For } k \geq N(n) \text{ we have } \|x_k^{(n)} - \tilde{x}_k\| \leq \frac{2}{n} + \|y^{(k)} - y^{(n)}\|_Y + \frac{1}{k} \\ \text{Hence } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k^{(n)} - \tilde{x}_k\| \leq \frac{2}{n} + \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|y^{(k)} - y^{(n)}\|_Y$$

Since $(y^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a CS, we obtain $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k^{(n)} - \tilde{x}_k\|) \leq 0 \implies y^{(n)} \rightarrow \tilde{y}$ in Y . □

Remark In practice, the abstract completion is not very useful. One needs a more explicit description of *one of the completions*. The simplest and most common situation is the following:

- (i) Given a normed vector space $(X, \| \cdot \|)$.
- (ii) Find a Banach space $(B, \| \cdot \|_B)$ and a norm-preserving linear mapping $E : X \rightarrow B$ (E for embedding).
- (iii) Define $Y = \overline{(EX)}^B = \text{closure}_B(EX)$ and $\|y\|_Y = \|y\|_B$
- (iv) Then, $(Y, \| \cdot \|_Y)$ is a completion of $(X, \| \cdot \|)$ (simply by def. of "completion")

Example 1.1.10 $X = \{(a_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \exists K \forall k \geq K : a_k = 0\}$. $\|(a_k)\|_\infty = \max\{|a_k| \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}$, which is a non-complete normed space. Let B be the sequence space with $X \subset B$ such that $E : X \rightarrow B; (a_k) \mapsto (a_k)$. With $B = \ell_\infty =$ set of all bounded sequences with the usual norm $\|(a_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}\|_\infty = \sup\{|a_k| \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}$. $(\ell_\infty, \| \cdot \|_\infty)$ is a Banach space. (We omit the straightforward proof). Obviously, we have the desired norm-preserving embedding. We define $Y = \overline{X}^{\ell_\infty}$ and claim $Y = c_0 = \{(a_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \in \ell_\infty \mid a_k \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } k \rightarrow \infty\}$.

Proof:

" $Y \subset c_0$ " $X \subset c_0 \implies Y = \overline{X}^{\ell_\infty} \subset \overline{c_0}^{\ell_\infty}$ Hence, it suffices to show that c_0 is closed in B . Take $(a^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset c_0$ and $a^{(n)} \rightarrow b$ in ℓ_∞ . We have to show $b \in c_0$, i.e. $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists K \forall k \geq K. |b_k| \leq \varepsilon$. Choose n such that $\|a^{(n)} - b\|_\infty \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ and K such that $|a_k^{(n)}| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ for $k \geq K$. That implies $|b_k| \leq |a_k^{(n)} - b_k| + |a_k^{(n)}| \leq \|a^{(n)} - b\|_\infty + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \leq \varepsilon$.

" $Y \supset c_0$ " Given $a \in c_0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, we have to find $\tilde{a} \in X$ such that $\|\tilde{a} - a\|_\infty \leq \varepsilon$. As $a \in c_0$ we have $|a_k| \leq \varepsilon$ for $k \geq K = K(a)$. Define $\tilde{a}_k = \begin{cases} a_k & \text{for } k \leq K \\ 0 & \text{for } k > K \end{cases}$ the $\tilde{a} \in X$ and $\|\tilde{a} - a\| = \sup_{k > K} |a_k| \leq \varepsilon$. \square

Limits of CS exist in Banach spaces. Therefore we can solve equations by approximation procedures.

Theorem 1.1.11 (Banach fixed-point theorem)

(also contraction mapping theorem)

Every contraction on a Banach space has a unique fixed point. More precisely, given a Banach space $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ and $F : X \rightarrow X$ with $\exists \rho \in [0, 1[\forall x, \hat{x} \in X : \|F(x) - F(\hat{x})\| \leq \rho\|x - \hat{x}\|$, there exists a unique $y \in X$, such that $F(y) = y$. Moreover, for each initial value $x^0 \in X$ the Banach iterations $x^{k+1} = F(x^k)$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ converge to y such that

$$\|y - x^k\| \leq \frac{\rho^{k-1}}{1-\rho} \|F(x^0) - x^0\|$$

1.2 Hilbert spaces

There are many essentially different Banach spaces. The Hilbert spaces are a small subclass. The new features are inner products also called scalar product. Hilbert spaces are possibly infinite-dimensional generalizations of the Euclidean spaces $(\mathbb{R}^n, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$.

Definition 1.2.1

(X, \mathbb{K}) vector space. A mapping $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$ is called a scalar product (or inner product), if it satisfies the following conditions.

- (i) $\forall \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{K} \forall x_1, x_2, y \in X : \langle \lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2, y \rangle = \lambda_1 \langle x_1, y \rangle + \lambda_2 \langle x_2, y \rangle$ (linearity)
- (ii) $\forall x, y \in X : \langle y, x \rangle = \overline{\langle x, y \rangle}$ (symmetry)
- (iii) $\langle x, x \rangle > 0$ for $x \neq 0$ (positivity)

Example 1.2.2 (i) Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n or \mathbb{C}^n with $\langle a, b \rangle_{\text{Euclid}} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \bar{b}_k$

(ii) $(\mathbb{C}^n, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_H)$ where $H = \overline{H}^\top =: H^* > 0$ (H hermitian and positive definite) with $\langle a, b \rangle_H = \langle Ha, b \rangle_{\text{Euclid}}$

(iii) $X = C^0([a, b], \mathbb{C}^n)$ $H \in C^0([a, b], \mathbb{C}_{\text{hermitian}}^{n \times n})$ and $H(t) > 0$ for all $t \in]a, b[$. We define

$$\langle f, g \rangle := \int_a^b \langle H(t)f(t), g(t) \rangle_{\text{Euclid}} dt$$

This is a scalar product. (i) and (ii) are straightforward. For (iii), note that $\langle f, f \rangle = \int_a^b \langle H(t)f(t), f(t) \rangle_{\text{Euclid}} dt$. If $\langle f, f \rangle = 0$, then $\langle H(t)f(t), f(t) \rangle = 0$ for all $t \in [a, b]$. Therefore $f(t) = 0$ for $t \in]a, b[$, since $H(t) > 0$. Since f is continuous, we have $f \equiv 0$.

Each scalar product defines a norm via

$$\|x\|_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$$

Obviously, $\|\cdot\|_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle}$ satisfies "scaling" and "positivity". To obtain the "triangle estimate" we need the *Cauchy-Schwarz estimate*

Theorem 1.2.3

Cauchy-Schwarz estimate

$$|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\| \quad \text{for all } x, y \in X$$

Proof:

Case 1 $x = 0$ or $y = 0$, $0 \leq 0$ holds.

Case 2 $x \neq 0$ and $y \neq 0$. For all $\mu \in \mathbb{K}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \|x + \mu y\|^2 = \langle x + \mu y, x + \mu y \rangle \\ &\leq \langle x, x \rangle + \mu \langle y, x \rangle + \bar{\mu} \langle x, y \rangle + |\mu|^2 \langle y, y \rangle \\ &\leq \|x\|^2 + 2 \operatorname{Re}(\mu \langle y, x \rangle) + |\mu|^2 \|y\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Choose $\mu \in \mathbb{K}$ s.t. $\mu \frac{\|x\|}{\|y\|} = e^{i\theta}$ and $\operatorname{Re}(\mu \langle y, x \rangle) = -|\mu \langle y, x \rangle|$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \|x\|^2 - 2|\mu \langle y, x \rangle| + \|\mu\|^2 \|y\|^2 \\ &= \frac{\|x\|}{\|y\|} (\|x\| \|y\| - 2|\langle x, y \rangle| + \|x\| \|y\|) \implies \text{CSE} \end{aligned}$$

□

We have shown that inner-product spaces $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ lead to normed vector spaces $(X, \|\cdot\|_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle})$. Now we can ask about completeness of $(X, \|\cdot\|_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle})$.

Definition 1.2.4

An inner product space $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is also called pre-Hilbert-space.

Theorem 1.2.5

Consider a pre-Hilbert-space $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$. Then, the normed space $(X, \|\cdot\|_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle})$ has a Banach space completion $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ and this space is called a Hilbert space.

Proof: Given $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ we obtain $(X, \|\cdot\|_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle})$ and consider any completion $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$. We define a scalar product on Y as follows:

$$E : X \rightarrow Y \text{ is norm preserving and has a dense range } E(X) \subset Y$$

For $y, \tilde{y} \in Y$ we define

$$\langle y, \tilde{y} \rangle_Y \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n, \tilde{x}_n \rangle_X \text{ where } Ex_n \rightarrow y \text{ and } E\tilde{x}_n \rightarrow \tilde{y}$$

(i) Well-definedness of $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_Y : Y \times Y \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$

$\forall y, \tilde{y} \exists$ CS $(x_n), (\tilde{x}_n)$ such that $Ex_n \rightarrow y, E\tilde{x}_n \rightarrow \tilde{y}$. Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n, \tilde{x}_n \rangle$ exists. We use continuity of the scalar product on $(X, \|\cdot\|_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle})$. We use the Cauchy-Schwarz estimate

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle x, \tilde{x} \rangle - \langle \tilde{x}, \hat{x} \rangle| &\leq \underbrace{|\langle x, \tilde{x} \rangle - \langle \tilde{x}, \tilde{x} \rangle|}_{\langle x - \tilde{x}, \tilde{x} \rangle} + \underbrace{|\langle \tilde{x}, \tilde{x} \rangle - \langle \tilde{x}, \hat{x} \rangle|}_{\langle \tilde{x}, \tilde{x} - \hat{x} \rangle} \\ &\stackrel{\text{CSE}}{\leq} \|x - \tilde{x}\| \|\tilde{x}\| + \|\tilde{x} - \hat{x}\| \|\tilde{x}\| \end{aligned}$$

Hence we find

$$|\langle x_n, \tilde{x}_n \rangle - \langle x_m, \tilde{x}_m \rangle| \leq \underbrace{\|x_n - x_m\|}_{\rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\|\tilde{x}_n\|}_{\leq C} + \underbrace{\|\tilde{x}_n - \tilde{x}_m\|}_{\rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\|x_m\|}_{\leq C}$$

Taking any other sequences $(z_n), (\tilde{z}_n)$ in X such that $Ez_n \rightarrow y$ and $E\tilde{z}_n \rightarrow \tilde{y}$, we obtain the same limit. To see this estimate $|\langle x_n, \tilde{x}_n \rangle - \langle z_n, \tilde{z}_n \rangle|$ as above using

$$\|x_n - z_n\|_X \stackrel{\text{E norm preserving}}{=} \|Ex_n - Ez_n\|_Y \rightarrow \|y - y\|_Y = 0$$

(ii) $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_Y$ is a scalar product.

linearity clear as "lim" and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_X$ are linear

symmetry clear

positivity $0 = \langle y, y \rangle = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n, x_n \rangle$ implies $x_n \rightarrow 0$ in $X \implies Ex_n \rightarrow 0 = y$.

(iii) $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_Y$ induces the norm $\| \cdot \|_Y$. (this was defined first). In Banach space completion we have $\|y\|_Y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|_X$ for $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset X$ with $Ex_n \rightarrow y$. This agrees with the def. of $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_Y$ as

$$\|y\|_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_Y}^2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle y, y \rangle_Y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n, x_n \rangle_X \stackrel{X \text{ pre-Hilbert space}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|_X^2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \|y\|_Y^2$$

□

Example 1.2.6 (i) $(\mathbb{R}^n, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\text{Euclid}})$ is a Hilbert space (as well as $(\mathbb{C}^n, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\text{Euclid}})$).

(ii) The first of the two important Hilbert spaces is $\ell_2 = \{a = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 < \infty\}$ with $\langle a, b \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \bar{b}_n$.
Claim: This is an infinite dimensional Hilbert space

Proof: • ℓ_2 vector space is trivial.

• $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \ell_2 \times \ell_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$ is well defined. ($\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \bar{b}_n$ converges absolutely)

$$\sum_{n=1}^N |a_n \bar{b}_n| \stackrel{\text{CSE}}{\leq} \left(\sum_{n=1}^N |a_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{n=1}^N |b_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} < \infty$$

• $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ satisfies all axioms of the inner product.

• $\|a\|_{\ell_2} = (\langle a, a \rangle)^{1/2} = (\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|^2)^{1/2}$

• Completeness is less trivial. Assume $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a CS in $(\ell_2, \| \cdot \|_{\ell_2})$. To show

$$\exists \tilde{a} \in \ell_2 : \|a^{(n)} - \tilde{a}\|_{\ell_2} \rightarrow 0$$

take the component k : $(a_k^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a CS in \mathbb{K} , $|a_k^{(n)} - a_k^{(m)}| \leq \|a^{(n)} - a^{(m)}\|_{\ell_2}$. Define $\tilde{a}_k = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_k^{(n)}$. We still need to show

(i) $\tilde{a} \in \ell_2$

(ii) $a^{(n)} \rightarrow \tilde{a}$ in ℓ_2

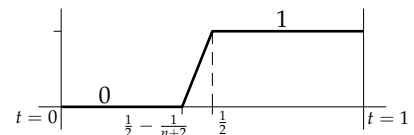
ad (i): $\sum_{k=1}^K |\tilde{a}_k|^2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^K |a_k^{(n)}|^2 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|a^{(n)}\|_{\ell_2}^2 =: C < \infty$. With $K \rightarrow \infty$ we find $\|\tilde{a}\|_{\ell_2}^2 \leq C$.

ad (ii) We argue similarly $\sum_{k=1}^K |a_k^{(n)} - a_k^{(l)}|^2 \leq \|a^{(n)} - a^{(l)}\|_{\ell_2}^2 \leq \varepsilon$ for $n, l \geq M_\varepsilon$. With $l \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain $\sum_{k=1}^K |a_k^{(n)} - \tilde{a}_k|^2 \leq \varepsilon$ for $n \geq M_\varepsilon$. since M_ε is independent of $K \in \mathbb{N}$ we can take the limit $K \rightarrow \infty$ which yields $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k^{(n)} - \tilde{a}_k|^2 \leq \varepsilon$ for $n \geq M_\varepsilon$. □

(iii)

$X = C^0([0, 1])$, $\langle f, g \rangle_{L^2} = \int_0^1 f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt$ non-complete pre-Hilbert space. Consider the CS f_n defined via Show

- $\|f_n - f_m\|_{L^2} \rightarrow 0$
- but there is no limit function



(iv) The second of the two important Hilbert spaces. $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ "domain" (open and connected subset). We define a pre-Hilbert space as follows

$$X = \mathcal{C}_c(\Omega) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid u \text{ continuous, } \text{supp}(u) \Subset \Omega\}$$

$\text{supp}(u) = \overline{\{x \in \Omega \mid u(x) \neq 0\}}$ (support) and \Subset means compact contained, so $A \Subset B$ if there exists a compact set G such that $A \subset G$ and $B \subset G$. We define an inner product via

$$\langle u, v \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} = \int_{\Omega} u(x) \overline{v(x)} dx \quad \left(= \int_{\text{supp}(u) \cap \text{supp}(v)} u(x) \overline{v(x)} dx \right)$$

$(\mathcal{C}_c(\Omega), \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is a pre-Hilbert space.

Definition 1.2.7

$L^2(\Omega)$ is (one of) the completion(s) of this pre-Hilbert space.

What is a useful version of this completion? The answer will be given in Section 1.3. It is the classical Lebesgue space $L^2(\Omega)$ of square integrable functions. For instance, $\Omega =]0, 1[$, the function $u : x \mapsto x^{-1/3}$ lies in $L^2(]0, 1[)$ since $\int_0^1 |u(x)|^2 dx = \int_0^1 x^{-2/3} dx = 3 < \infty$.

Question: Given a norm, is there an associated scalar product?

Proposition 1.2.8

A norm is induced by a scalar product if and only if it satisfies the parallelogram identity:

$$x, y \in X : \|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2$$

Proof: (Sketch) • Scalar product implies parallelogram identity:

$$\begin{aligned} \|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 &= \langle x + y, x + y \rangle + \langle x - y, x - y \rangle \\ &\stackrel{\text{linearity}}{=} \|x\|^2 + \cancel{\langle y, x \rangle} + \cancel{\langle x, y \rangle} + \|y\|^2 + \|x\|^2 - \cancel{\langle y, x \rangle} - \cancel{\langle x, y \rangle} + \|y\|^2 = 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

- Parallelogram identity implies scalar product: Assume $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$. $S(x, y) = \frac{1}{4}(\|x + y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2)$ (check: if $\|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle}$, then $S = \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$). One can prove that S really is a scalar product. One needs continuity arguments (\rightarrow analysis). \square

Example 1.2.9 ($\mathcal{C}([0, 1])$, $\|\cdot\|_\infty$) is a Banach space but not a Hilbert space: Find $f, g \in \mathcal{C}([0, 1])$ such that $\|f + g\|_\infty^2 + \|f - g\|_\infty^2 \neq 2\|f\|_\infty^2 + 2\|g\|_\infty^2$. Take $f(t) = t$, $g(t) = 1 - t$, $(f - g)(t) = 2t - 1$. Then you have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_\infty = 1 = \|g\|_\infty = \|f + g\|_\infty = \|f - g\|_\infty \\ 1^2 + 1^2 \neq 2 \cdot 1^2 + 2 \cdot 1^2 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

In Hilbert spaces we can define angles between two vectors:

Definition 1.2.10 (Angle)

If $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$, we have $\langle x, y \rangle = \rho \|x\| \|y\|$ with $\rho \in [-1, 1]$.

$$\sphericalangle(x, y) = \arccos \rho \in [0, \pi]$$

If $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$, then $\mathbb{C} \ni \langle x, y \rangle = z \|x\| \|y\|$ with $z \in \mathbb{C}$ and $|z| \leq 1$. We define

$$\sphericalangle_{\mathbb{C}}(x, y) = \arccos |z| \in [0, \pi]$$

Definition 1.2.11

x is orthogonal to y (we write $x \perp y$) if $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$. For orthogonal vectors we have Pythagoras' relation

$$\langle x, y \rangle = 0 \implies \|x + y\|^2 = \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2$$

Definition 1.2.12

$(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ Hilbert space. J index set. $S = \{x_j \mid j \in J\} \subset X$.

- S is called an orthogonal system (OGS) if for all $j_1, j_2 \in J : j_1 \neq j_2 \implies \langle x_{j_1}, x_{j_2} \rangle = 0$.
- We call an OGS an orthonormal system (ONS), if additionally $\|x_j\| = 1$ for all $j \in J$.
- S is called an orthonormal basis (Hamel basis) if every $x \in X$ is a finite linear combination of elements in S , i.e. $X = \text{span } S$.
- S is called a complete ONS (cONS), if it is an ONS and $\text{span } S$ is dense in X . (In that case S is also called a Hilbert basis, as every $x \in X$ can be written as a converging infinite linear combination, see below).

Example 1.2.13 (i) $X = \ell_2$, $e_n = (0, \dots, 1, 0, \dots)$. $\|e_n\|_{\ell_2} = 1$, $\langle e_n, e_m \rangle_{\ell_2} = \delta_{nm}$. S is an ONS. Since $\text{span } S = \{(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \ell_2 \mid \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \forall m > n : a_m = 0\}$. We know from earlier, that $\text{span } S$ is dense. Hence, S is a complete ONS.

- (ii) $X = \ell_2$ and $S_{\text{even}} = S_e = \{e_{2n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Then, S_e is an ONS, but it is not complete. Claim: e_1 is not in the closure of S_e . We use $\langle e_1, e_{2n} \rangle = 0$. For $y \in \text{span } S_e$, we conclude $\langle e_1, y \rangle = \langle e_1, \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_{2n} e_{2n} \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^N \overline{\alpha_{2n}} \langle e_1, e_{2n} \rangle = 0$. $\forall y \in \text{span } S_e : \|e_1 - y\|^2 = \|e_1 + (-y)\|^2 \stackrel{\text{Pyt.}}{=} \|e_1\|^2 + \|-y\|^2 \geq 1$. No sequence in $\text{span } S_e$ can approach e_1 .
- (iii) For S in (i) we see that S is not an algebraic basis, since $\text{span } S \subsetneq X = \ell_2$. For instance $a = (\frac{1}{n})_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \ell_2 \setminus \text{span } S$.

We now want to prove that a cONS allows us to write every $x \in X$ in a unique way as a converging infinite linear combination of the elements in S . We consider a Hilbert space $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$, a countable index set J (e.g. $\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^d$) and an ONS $S = \{e_j \mid j \in J\}$. We want to write $x \in X$ in this basis.

$$x \mapsto Q_S x := \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j$$

The next result shows that this definition is well posed and has all the desired properties.

Theorem 1.2.14

The mapping $Q_S : X \rightarrow X$ is well posed and linear. Moreover, Q_S is a projection, i.e. $Q_S(Q_S) = Q_S$ and we have Bessel's estimate

$$\|Q_S x\|^2 = \sum_{j \in J} |\langle x, e_j \rangle|^2 \leq \|x\|^2$$

If S is also complete, then $Q_S = \text{id}_X$, i.e.

$$\forall x \in X : x = Q_S x = \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j$$

and we have Parseval's identity

$$\|x\|^2 = \sum_{j \in J} |\langle x, e_j \rangle|^2$$

This explains the notion "Hilbert basis", which is sometimes used for cONS.

Proof:

Step 1 Assume $J = \mathbb{N}$ (one particular counting) We want to define

$$Q_S x \stackrel{??}{:=} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^N \overbrace{\langle x, e_j \rangle e_j}^{=: x_N} \underbrace{\alpha_j}$$

To show $(x_N)_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a CS. Then $Q_S x := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} x_N$, $y_N := x - x_N$.

$$\implies \forall j \in \{1, \dots, N\} : \langle y_N, e_j \rangle = \langle x, e_j \rangle - \alpha_j = 0$$

$$x = \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_j e_j + y \quad \text{orthog. decomp.}$$

$$\|x\|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^N |\alpha_j|^2 + \|y\|^2 \quad \text{Pythagoras}$$

Hence for all $N : \sum_{j=1}^N |\alpha_j|^2 = \|x\|^2 - \|y_N\|^2 \leq \|x\|^2$. For $N \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain Bessel's estimate

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\langle x, e_j \rangle|^2 \leq \|x\|^2$$

We now show that (x_N) is a CS. For $M > N$ we have

$$\|x_N - x_M\|^2 = \left\| \sum_{j=N+1}^M \alpha_j e_j \right\|^2 \stackrel{\text{Pyt.}}{=} \sum_{j=N+1}^M |\alpha_j|^2 \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

Therefore we have a CS and $Q_S x := \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j$ is well defined. (Linearity of Q_S is simple).

Step 2 Consider any other numbering of the index set J . Renumbering $k_{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ bijective. Claim:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^N \langle x, e_{k(n)} e_{k(n)} \rangle = Q_S x$$

We define \hat{x}_N as above and $M_N = \max\{m \mid \{1, \dots, m\} \subset \{k(1), \dots, k(N)\}\}$. Since k is surjective, we have $M_N \rightarrow \infty$ for $N \rightarrow \infty$ and hence $x_{M_N} \stackrel{\text{as before}}{=} \sum_{j=1}^{M_N} \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j \rightarrow Q_S x$. Now

$$\|\hat{x}_N - x_{M_N}\|^2 \stackrel{\text{ONS}}{=} \sum_{\substack{n \in \{1, \dots, N\} \\ k(n) > M_N}} |\alpha_{k(n)}|^2 \leq \sum_{m > M_N} |\alpha_m|^2 \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

Hence $\hat{x}_N - x_{M_N} \rightarrow 0$ and using $x_{M_N} \rightarrow Q_S x$ we conclude $\hat{x}_N \rightarrow Q_S x$ as well. Hence we can define $\sum_{j \in J} \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j$ without referring to any particular ordering in J .

Step 3 Assume that S is complete. We have to show that $Q_S x = x$. For x given, define $y = x - Q_S x$. By definition of Q_S we have $\langle y, e_j \rangle = 0$ for $j \in J$. Thus: $\|x\|^2 = \|Q_S x\|^2 + \|y\|^2$. Since $\text{span } S$ is dense, there exists $(s_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $\|y - s_m\| \rightarrow 0$ and $s_m \in \text{span } S$. Note $\langle y, s_m \rangle = 0$ as $\langle y, e_j \rangle = 0$. $\|y\|^2 = \langle y, y \rangle = \langle y, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} s_m \rangle = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \langle y, s_m \rangle = 0$. Hence $y = 0 \implies x = Q_S x$. \square

Proposition 1.2.15 (Ex. 9)

Assume that $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is a Hilbert space and S is an ONS and J countable (e.g. \mathbb{N}). Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) S is complete.
- (ii) If x satisfies $\langle x, e_j \rangle = 0$ for all $j \in J$, then $x = 0$.
- (iii) Parseval's identity holds
- (iv) $\forall x \in X : \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j = x$.

The most important application are the

Fourier series

$$X = L^2([0, 2\pi[).$$

real case	complex case
$J = \mathbb{Z}$	$J = \mathbb{Z}$
$j \geq 1 \ e_j(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cos(jt)$	$\tilde{e}_j(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp(ijt)$
$j = 0 \ e_0(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} 1$	
$j < 0 \ e_j(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sin(jt)$	

In both cases we have an ONS. e.g.

$$\langle \tilde{e}_n, \tilde{e}_m \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{int} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-imt} dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(n-m)t} dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \delta_{n-m} 2\pi = \delta_{n-m}$$

Claim: These ONS are complete. Classical analysis shows: If $f \in C^2([0, 2\pi])$ then $\underbrace{\sum_{j=-N}^N \langle f, \tilde{e}_j \rangle e_j}_{\in \text{span } \tilde{S}} \rightarrow f$ uniformly on

$[0, 2\pi]$. Hence, $\text{span } \tilde{S}$ is dense in $C^2([0, 2\pi])$, in $C^0([0, 2\pi])$, in $L^2([0, 2\pi])$ and therefore it is complete.

Remark $f : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ piecewise C^1 , $f|_{]t_k, t_{k+1}[}$ has an extension $f_k \in C([t_k, t_{k+1}])$. Then for all $t \in [0, 2\pi]$ we

$$\text{have } f_N(t) = \sum_{j=-N}^N \langle f, e_j \rangle e_j(t) \rightarrow \tilde{f}(t) \text{ with } \tilde{f}(t) = \begin{cases} f(t) & \text{if } t \in]0, 2\pi[\setminus \{t_1, \dots, t_k\} \\ \frac{1}{2}(f(t_k - 0) + f_k(t + 0)) & \text{for } t = t_k \\ \frac{1}{2}(f(0 + 0) + f(2\pi - 0)) & \text{for } t = 0 \text{ or } t = 2\pi \end{cases} \text{ each } f_N \text{ is}$$

analytic. We have pointwise convergence, but no uniform convergence.
Gibbs' phenomenon: "overshooting"

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } t \in [\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \|f_N\|_\infty \rightarrow 1.09$$

But nevertheless $\|f_N - f\|_{L^2} \rightarrow 0$ as we have a cONS. In $L^2(\Omega)$ we have $\|f - \tilde{f}\|_{L^2} = 0$.

Does every Hilbert space has a complete ONS? Yes, there are many.

Definition 1.2.16

A Banach space $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is called separable, if there exists a countable set that is dense in X .

Example 1.2.17 (i) \mathbb{R}^n or \mathbb{C}^n with Euclidean norm are separable, since \mathbb{Q}^n and $(\mathbb{Q} + i\mathbb{Q})^n$ are dense and countable.

(ii) $\ell_2 = \{(a)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \sum |a_j|^2 < \infty\}$. $D = \{\sum_{i=1}^N q_i e_i \mid N \in \mathbb{N}, q_i \in \mathbb{Q}\}$ is countable and dense.

(iii) $(\mathcal{C}[a, b], \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ is separable. $D =$ polynomials with rational coefficients.

(iv) $X = B([0, 1])$ space of bdd. functions $\|f\|_\infty = \sup\{|f(t)| \mid t \in [0, 1]\}$. There exists an uncountable set U such that $\forall f, g \in U : \|f - g\|_\infty = 0$ or 2 . Hence X cannot be separable. For $\xi \in [0, 1]$ set $f_\xi(t) = \delta_{\xi t}$ and $U = \{f_\xi \mid \xi \in [0, 1]\}$. $\|f_{\xi_1} - f_{\xi_2}\|_\infty = 1$ if $\xi_1 \neq \xi_2$.

(v) Without proof $(\mathcal{C}(]0, 1[), \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ is a non-separable Banach space. $f(t) = \sin(\frac{1}{t}) \in \mathcal{C}(]0, 1[)$.

Theorem 1.2.18

For every separable Hilbert space, there exists a countable cONS.

Proof: We use the Gram-Schmidt algorithm. $D = \{x_j \mid j \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is our dense and countable set. By induction we construct a ONS $\{e_k \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ as follows.

$$e_1 = \frac{1}{\|x_1\|} x_1 \implies V_1 = \text{span}\{e_1\}$$

$$V_k := \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_k\} \quad \text{and} \quad m_k = \dim V_k \leq k$$

$$V_k = \text{span}\{e_1, \dots, e_k\}$$

If $m_{k+1} > m_k$, then $e_{m_{k+1}}$ is obtained by Gram-Schmidt.

If $m_k \rightarrow m^* < \infty$ after finally many steps, then we have to show that $V_{m^*} = X$, i.e. X is finite dimensional.

If $m_k \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain an infinite countable ONS.

In both cases $S = \{e_j \mid j \in J\}$ where $J = \{1, \dots, m^*\}$ or $J = \mathbb{N}$.

Claim: S is complete. We use that D is dense. $\forall j : D \ni x_j \in \text{span } S$. In fact, $x_j \in V_j \subset \text{span } S$. Hence, using $D \subset \text{span } S$ we have shown density of $\text{span } S$ in X □

Example 1.2.19 Using Gram-Schmidt, we generate new cONS. $L^2([-1, 1])$ completion of $(\mathcal{C}([-1, 1], \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{L^2}))$. Possible set for starting are polynomials $q_1(t) = 1, q_n(t) = t^{n-1} \implies Q = \{q_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. We know that $\text{span } Q$ is dense in $L^2([-1, 1])$. Applying Gram-Schmidt to the sequence, we obtain a cONS $S = \{p_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ with $\langle p_n, p_m \rangle_{L^2} = \int_{-1}^1 p_n(t) p_m(t) dt = \delta_{n,m}$. Up to a normalisation constant, we obtain the Legendre polynomials

$$p_1(t) = c_1 \cdot 1 \quad p_2(t) = c_2 t \quad p_3(t) = c_3(t^2 - 3) \quad p_4(t) = c_4(5t^3 - 3t)$$

$$p_5(t) = c_5(35t^4 - 30t^2 + 3)$$

Theorem 1.2.20 (structure of separable Hilbert spaces)

Every separable Hilbert space is norm-isomorphic to either $\mathbb{K}_{\text{Euclid}}^n$ or ℓ_2 .

We say that two Banach spaces $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ and $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ are called norm-isomorphic, if there exist, a linear bijective mapping $A : X \rightarrow Y$ such that $\|Ax\|_Y = \|x\|_X$ for all x . For Hilbert spaces even the scalar products are preserved

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{4}(\|x + y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2)$$

Proof: Wlog assume the case of a infinite cONS. $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ has some cONS $S_X = \{e_j^X \mid j \in \mathbb{N}\}$. $(\ell_2, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_X)$ has the natural cONS $S_{\ell_2} = \{\tilde{e}_j \mid j \in \mathbb{N}\}$ with $\tilde{e}_j = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots)$. We define

$$A : \begin{cases} X \rightarrow \ell_2 \\ x \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^\infty \langle x, e_j^X \rangle \tilde{e}_j \end{cases}$$

and find $\|Ax\|_{\ell_2} \stackrel{\text{Parseval}}{=} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \langle x, e_j^X \rangle \stackrel{\text{Pars.}}{=} \|x\|_X^2$ because $x \in X \implies \|x\|^2 = \sum |\langle x, e_j^X \rangle|^2 < \infty$. A is injective, since $Ax = 0 \implies 0 = \|Ax\| = \|x\|$. A is surjective, because

$$B : \begin{cases} \ell_2 \rightarrow X \\ (a_j) \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j e_j^X \end{cases}$$

is a norm preserving inverse. $A = B^{-1}, B = A^{-1}$. □

Wavelets

invented by Ingrid Daubechies. Wavelets are *localized* versions of trigonometric functions.

- (i) Generate the first generation by translation.
- (ii) Second generation. refine by factor 2.

$$W = \left\{ \underbrace{2^{d\sigma(j)} \Psi \left(\frac{x - x(j)}{2^{\sigma(j)}} \right)}_{W_j} \mid j \in J \right\} \quad d = \text{dimension}$$

- (iii) Choose Ψ suitable (art of I.Daubechies) gives span $W = L^2(\Omega)$.

b/w picture $u : \Omega \rightarrow [0,1] \quad u \in L^2(\Omega)$

$u = \sum_{j \in J} \alpha_j W_j$ complete expansion where $\alpha_j = \langle u, W_j \rangle$. compression factor $\varepsilon \in]0,1[$.

$$u_{jPg} = \sum_{\substack{j \in J \\ |\alpha_j| \leq \varepsilon \|u\|_{L^2}}} \alpha_j W_j$$

This is a non-linear mapping.

1.3 The Spaces L^p

Elements of Measure Theory

Definition 1.3.1

Let X be a set and $\Sigma \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$ a system of subsets, Σ is called a σ -algebra if

- (i) $\emptyset \in \Sigma$
- (ii) $E \in \Sigma \implies X \setminus E \in \Sigma$
- (iii) $(E_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ sequence with $E_m \in \Sigma \implies \bigcup_{m \geq 1} E_m \in \Sigma$

Definition 1.3.2

Let X be a set and $\Sigma \in \mathcal{P}(X)$ a σ -algebra. Then (X, Σ) is called a measurable space.

Lemma 1.3.3

Let $P \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$ be a system of subsets. Then there exists a unique σ -algebra denoted $\Sigma(P)$ such that $P \subseteq \Sigma(P)$.

Definition 1.3.4

Let (X, \mathcal{O}) topological space, (e.g. (X, d) metric space, \mathcal{O} open subset wrt d). $\mathcal{B}(X) := \Sigma(\mathcal{O})$ is called the σ -algebra of Borel sets.

Definition 1.3.5

Let (X_1, Σ_1) and (X_2, Σ_2) be measurable spaces, $f : X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ is called measurable, if $f^{-1}(E) \in \Sigma_1$ for all $E \in \Sigma_2$.

Lemma 1.3.6

Let $P_2 \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X_2)$ and $\Sigma_2 = \Sigma(P_2)$, $f : X_1 \rightarrow X_2$. Then $\forall E \in P_2 : f^{-1}(E) \in \Sigma_1 \implies f$ is measurable.

Corollary 1.3.7

Let (X, Σ) be a measurable space and $f : (X, \Sigma) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) f measurable
- (ii) preimages of all intervals (a, ∞) are measurable
- (iii) preimages of all closed intervals are measurable.

Definition 1.3.8

$\overline{\mathbb{R}} := \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\}$, $\mathcal{B}(\overline{\mathbb{R}}) := \{A \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}) \mid A \cap \mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})\}$

Definition 1.3.9

Let (X, Σ) be a measurable space. A measure on (X, Σ) is a function $\mu : \Sigma \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that

- (i) $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
- (ii) Let $(E_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a seq. of pairwise disjoint sets $E_m \in \Sigma$. Then $\mu(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} E_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_n)$

Definition 1.3.10

Let μ be a measure on (X, Σ) . Then (X, Σ, μ) is called a measure space.

Lemma 1.3.11

On $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n))$, there exists a unique measure such that $\lambda((a, b)) = (b_1 - a_1) \cdots (b_n - a_n)$ for all $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$, $b = (b_1, \dots, b_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $a_j \leq b_j$ for all j . λ is called the Lebesgue measure.

Definition 1.3.12

(X, Σ, μ) measure space. $N \subseteq X$ is called a μ -zeroset if $N \subseteq E \in \Sigma$ such that $\mu(E) = 0$.

Definition 1.3.13

Let $S(x)$ be a statement depending on $x \in X$. We say, S holds μ -almost-everywhere (a.e.) if $\exists X_0 \in \Sigma$ such that

- (i) $\forall x \in X_0 : S(x)$
- (ii) $\mu(X \setminus X_0) = 0$.

Lemma 1.3.14

Let (X, Σ, μ) be a measure space, such that every zeroset is in Σ . Let $f_n : (X, \Sigma, \mu) \rightarrow (\overline{\mathbb{R}}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ be a sequence of measurable functions, s.t. $f_n \rightarrow f : X \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ a.e. (i.e. $f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$ a.e.). Then f is measurable.

Definition 1.3.15

(X, Σ, μ) measure space, $f : X \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$, $E \in \Sigma$, the Lebesgue integral wrt μ is denoted as $\int_E f d\mu$.

Definition 1.3.16

$f : X \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ is called integrable if

- (i) f measurable
- (ii) $\int_X |f| dx < \infty$.

Convergence Theorems

Here $X = \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ domain, i.e. open and connected. $\Sigma = \mathcal{B}(\Omega, \mu = \lambda)$. The following theorems hold in a more general case than this.

Theorem 1.3.17 (Beppo-Levi, monotone convergence)

Let $f_n : \Omega \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ be a sequence such that

- (i) f_n measurable
- (ii) $f_n \leq f_{n+1}$ a.e. $E \in \Sigma$

Then f_n converges pointwise a.e. to a measurable function f and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E f_n = \int_E \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n$.

Theorem 1.3.18 (Fatou, one-sided boundedness)

- (i) $f_n : \Omega \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$, $E \in \Sigma$
- (ii) \exists integrable g such that $f_n \geq g$ a.e. (e.g. $g \equiv 0$)

Then

$$\int_E (\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n) d\mu \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E f_n d\mu$$

Theorem 1.3.19 (Lebesgue, dominated convergence)

- (i) $f_n : \Omega \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ measurable

(ii) $f_n \rightarrow f$ pointwise a.e.

(iii) \exists measurable $g : |f_n| \leq g$ a.e.

Then for $E \in \Sigma$, g is integrable on E implies f, f_n is integrable on E and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E f_n = \int_E (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n)$.

The Spaces L^p

Definition 1.3.20

Let $p \in [1, \infty)$, $\mathcal{L}^p(\Omega) := \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ measurable and } |f|^p \text{ integrable}\}$ with $\|f\|_p := (\int_{\Omega} |f|^p dx)^{\frac{1}{p}}$

Lemma 1.3.21

$0 = \|f - g\|_p \iff f = g$ a.e., therefore $\|\cdot\|_p$ is not a norm. But

Lemma 1.3.22

$(\mathcal{L}^p(\Omega), \|\cdot\|_p)$ is a half-normed space.

Proof: triangle estimate by Minkowski inequality, other properties are clear.

Lemma 1.3.23 (Hölder inequality)

$p, q \in (1, \infty)$ s.t. $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $f \in \mathcal{L}^p, g \in \mathcal{L}^q$ implies $f \cdot g \in \mathcal{L}^1$ and $\|f \cdot g\|_1 \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$.

Proof: Young's inequality: $ab \leq \frac{a^p}{p} + \frac{b^q}{q}$ with $a = \frac{|f(x)|}{\|f\|_p}$ and $b = \frac{|g(x)|}{\|g\|_q}$.

$$\int \frac{|f(x)||g(x)|}{\|f\|_p \|g\|_q} \leq \int \dots = \frac{1}{p} \frac{\|f\|_p^p}{\|f\|_p^p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$$

□

Lemma 1.3.24 (Minkowski-inequality)

$f, g \in \mathcal{L}^p \implies f + g \in \mathcal{L}^p$ and $\|f + g\|_p \leq \|f\|_p + \|g\|_p$.

Proof: (for $p \neq 1$)

$$|f + g|^p \leq (|f| + |g|)^p \leq 2^{p-1}(|f|^p + |g|^p) \implies f + g \in \mathcal{L}^p$$

$$|f + g|^p \leq |f||f + g|^{p-1} + |g||f + g|^{p-1} \xrightarrow{\text{integrate}} \|f + g\|_p^p = \int |f + g|^p dx \leq \| |f| |f + g|^{p-1} \|_1 + \| |g| |f + g|^{p-1} \|_1$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Hölder}}{\leq} \|f\|_p \| |f + g|^{p-1} \|_q + \|g\|_p \| |f + g|^{p-1} \|_q \quad \text{with } q = \frac{p}{p-1}$$

$$= (\|f\|_p + \|g\|_p) \|f + g\|_p^{p-1}$$

Definition 1.3.25 (L^p)

Let $f, g \in \mathcal{L}^p(\Omega)$, $f \sim g : \iff f = g$ a.e. $\iff \|f - g\|_p = 0$ and $L^p(\Omega) := \mathcal{L}^p(\Omega) / \sim$ equivalence classes $\{g \in \mathcal{L}^p(\Omega) \mid g = f \text{ a.e.}\} = [f] \in L^p(\Omega)$.

Lemma 1.3.26

\sim is an equivalence relation and $(L^p, \|\cdot\|_p)$ is a normed vector space (Proof Ex. 1).

Example 1.3.27 $\Omega = (0, 1)$, $f, g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) := 1$, $g(x) := \begin{cases} 0 & x \in \mathbb{Q} \cap (0, 1) \\ 1 & x \in (\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}) \cap (0, 1) \end{cases}$

$f \sim g$ since $\lambda(\mathbb{Q} \cap (0, 1)) = 0$. Notation; $f \in L^p$ although not quite correct.

Example 1.3.28 Let $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\text{supp } f := \overline{\{x \in \Omega \mid f(x) \neq 0\}}$ the support of f . $\mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega) = \{f \in \mathcal{C}^0(\Omega) \mid \text{supp } f \text{ is compact}\}$. $f \in \mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega) \implies [f] \in L^p(\Omega)$.

Properties of L^p

The aim is $(L^p(\Omega), \|\cdot\|_p)$ is a completion of $(\mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega), \|\cdot\|_p)$.

Theorem 1.3.29 (Riesz-Fischer)

$(L^p(\Omega), \|\cdot\|_p)$ is complete.

Proof: Let $(f_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a CS in $L^p(\Omega)$. Choose a subsequence $(k_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\|f_k - f_l\|_p \leq 2^{-i} \forall k, l \geq k_i$. In the following denote this subsequence again by $(f_k)_{k_i}$. Then

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|f_{k+1} - f_k\|_p \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} 2^{-k} < \infty$$

Now define $g_l := \sum_{k=1}^l |f_{k+1} - f_k|$. Now using the Theorem of Fatou (1.3.18) and the Minkowski inequality (1.3.24):

$$\begin{aligned} \int \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} g_l^p d\mu &\leq \liminf_{l \rightarrow \infty} \int g_l^p d\mu = (\liminf_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|g_l\|_p)^p \leq \left(\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|f_{k+1} - f_k\|_p \right)^p < \infty \\ \implies \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} g_l(x) &< \infty \text{ a.e.} \implies f_k(x) \text{ is a CS a.e.} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore \exists limit $f(x) = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} f_k(x)$ a.e. By Lemma 14 $\implies f$ is measurable and, by Fatou

$$\begin{aligned} \int (f - f_l)^p d\mu &\leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int |f_k - f_l|^p d\mu = (\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|f_k - f_l\|_p)^p \xrightarrow{l \rightarrow \infty} 0 \\ \implies \|f - f_l\| &\rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 1.3.30

$L^p(\Omega)$ is complete for $1 \leq p < \infty$.

Corollary 1.3.31

Let $f_m \rightarrow f$ in $L^p(\Omega)$, there exists a subsequence $(m_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $f_{m_k}(x) \rightarrow f(x)$ a.e.

Theorem 1.3.32

$C_c^0(\Omega)$ is dense in $(L^p(\Omega), \|\cdot\|_p)$ for $p \in [1, \infty)$.

Remark This is true for $C_c^\infty(\Omega)$ as well.

Proof: Step 1 Define s simple if $s = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i \chi_{A_i}$ with A_i measurable and $\chi_{A_i}(x) = 1$ if $x \in A_i$ and 0 otherwise. Let $f \in L^p$ and then $f^+, f^- \geq 0$ with $f = f^+ - f^-$. To choose s_m^+ (and similarly s_m^-) decompose $[0, \infty)$ into the disjoint intervals

$$I_j^m = \left[\frac{j-1}{M}, \frac{j}{M} \right) \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, M^2 \quad \text{and} \quad I_{M^2+1} = [M, \infty) \quad \text{where } M = 2^m$$

Now define

$$A_j^m = \{x \in \Omega \mid f(x) \in I_j^m\} \quad \text{and} \quad s_m^+ = \sum_{j=1}^{M^2+1} \frac{j-1}{M} \chi_{A_j^m}$$

Then

$$|f - s_m|^p = |f^+ - s_m^+|^p + |f^- - s_m^-|^p \leq |f^+|^p + |f^-|^p = |f|^p \quad \text{a.e.}$$

The theorem of dominated convergence (1.3.19) implies $\|f - s_m\| \rightarrow 0$.

Step 2 Let $\lambda(A) < \infty$. We want to show, that

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists f_\varepsilon \in C_c^0(\Omega) \quad \text{such that} \quad \|f_\varepsilon - \chi_A\|_p < \varepsilon$$

From the theory of the Lebesgue measure we know that there exists an open set \mathcal{O}_ε such that $A \subset \mathcal{O}_\varepsilon$ and $\lambda(\mathcal{O}_\varepsilon \setminus A) < \varepsilon$. Hence, we have $\|\chi_A - \chi_{\mathcal{O}_\varepsilon}\|_p < \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{p}}$.

Thus, we have reduced the task to considering open sets $\mathcal{O} = A$. We consider a decomposition of \mathbb{R}^d into small semi-open cubes $Q_n^N = \frac{1}{2^N} (n + [0, 1)^d)$, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}^d$ is the integer lattice and 2^{-N} is the side-length of the cubes. For a given $N \in \mathbb{N}$ consider $A_N \subset A$ as the union of all cubes Q_n^N that are contained in A . Then, $A_N \subset A_{N+1}$ by construction (subdivision of the cubes). Moreover, $A = \sup_{N \in \mathbb{N}} A_N$, since A is open.

Thus, we conclude $\lambda(A \setminus A_M) \rightarrow 0$ for $N \rightarrow \infty$. And by the same argument going from general A to open $A = \mathcal{O}$, it now suffices to consider a set A_M instead of a general A . Since A_M is a finite union of cubes $A_M = \bigcup_{j=1}^K Q_{n_j}^M$ we only need to find $f_{j,\varepsilon} \in C_c(\Omega)$ such that $\|f_{j,\varepsilon} - \chi_{Q_{n_j}^M}\|_p < \frac{\varepsilon}{K}$. For this simply define

$f_{j,\varepsilon}(x)$ as 0 outside of $Q_{n_j}^M$ and as $\min\{\text{dist}(x, \partial Q_{n_j}^M)/\delta, 1\}$ for $x \in Q_{n_j}^M$. Choosing δ sufficiently small, we have the estimate. Moreover, using the triangle estimate, the sum $f_\varepsilon = \sum_{j=1}^K f_{j,\varepsilon}$ satisfies $\|f_\varepsilon - \chi_{A_m}\|_p < \varepsilon$. \square

Definition 1.3.33 ($L^\infty(\Omega)$)

For $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, define the essential supremum

$$\|f\|_\infty := \text{esssup}\{|f(x)| \mid x \in \Omega\} := \inf_{\lambda(N)=0} \sup_{x \in \Omega \setminus N} |f(x)| = \inf\{R \geq 0 \mid \lambda(S_R) = 0\}$$

with $S_R := \{x \in \Omega \mid |f(x)| > R\}$.

Definition 1.3.34

$\mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega) : \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ measurable and } \|f\|_\infty < \infty\}$.

Lemma 1.3.35

$(\mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega), \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ is a half-normed vector space.

Definition 1.3.36

$L^\infty(\Omega) := \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega) / \sim$ where $f \sim g : \iff \|f - g\|_\infty = 0$.

Lemma 1.3.37

$(L^\infty(\Omega), \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ is complete.

Proof: Let $[f_n] \in L^\infty$ be a CS. That implies f_n is a CS in $\mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta &:= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{x \in \Omega \mid |f_n(x)| > \|f_n\|_\infty\} \cup \bigcup_{m,n=1}^{\infty} \{x \in \Omega \mid |f_m(x) - f_n(x)| > \|f_m - f_n\|_\infty\} \implies \lambda(\Theta) = 0 \\ &\implies \forall x \in \Omega \setminus \Theta : |f_m(x) - f_n(x)| \leq \|f_m - f_n\|_\infty \end{aligned}$$

$\implies f_n$ converges pointwise uniformly on $\Omega \setminus \Theta$ to $f := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f \cdot \chi_{\Omega \setminus \Theta}) \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega) \implies [f_n] \rightarrow [f]$ in L^∞ .

\square

Lemma 1.3.38

$\mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega)$ not dense in $L^\infty(\Omega)$.

Addition to earlier proof: Covering of an open set by a *disjoint* union of open balls.

Definition 1.3.39

If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ is an open set, we call $V = \{A_j \mid j \in J\}$ a Vitali covering of Ω if

- (i) $\forall j \in J : A_j$ is open
- (ii) $\forall x \in \Omega \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists j \in J : x \in A_j \subset (B_\varepsilon(x) \cap \Omega)$.

It is easy to obtain Vitali coverings as follows. Take your favorite open bounded set F with $0 \in F$. $\{A_{x,\varepsilon} \mid x \in \Omega, \varepsilon > 0 : A_{x,\varepsilon} = x + \varepsilon F \subset \Omega\}$.

Theorem 1.3.40 (Covering Theorem, Vitali 1908, Lebesgue)

If $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is open and $V = \{A_j \mid j \in J\}$ is a Vitali covering, then there exists a zeroset $N \subset \Omega$ and a countable subset $\{A_{j_n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of V such that the following holds:

- (i) $n \neq m \implies A_{j_n} \cap A_{j_m} = \emptyset$ (disjointness)
- (ii) $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_{j_n} = \Omega \setminus N$

back to the proof: \mathcal{O}_ε cover with balls $F = B_1(0)$. $\mathcal{O}_\varepsilon \setminus N = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_{r_i}(x_i)$ disjoint union. $\chi_{\mathcal{O}_\varepsilon \setminus N}$ in $L^1(\Omega)$ since $\chi_{\mathcal{O}_\varepsilon}(x) = \chi_{\mathcal{O}_\varepsilon \setminus N}(x)$ a.e. in Ω .

$\mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega)$ is dense in $L^p(\Omega)$ for all $p \in [1, \infty[$, not for $p = \infty$.

1.4 Sobolev spaces

These spaces contain L^p functions whose derivatives are also in L^p . They are fundamental for Mathematical physics (quantum mechanics), partial differential equations (financial mathematics, finite elements,...). To take a weak definition of derivatives that can be generalized to L^p functions. We use the framework of *distributions*.

Definition 1.4.1

Given $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ open. A linear mapping $T : \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$ is called a distribution, if for all open $D \Subset \Omega$ there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $C > 0$ such that

$$|T(\varphi)| \leq C \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{C}^k(\Omega)} \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\Omega) \text{ with } \text{supp}(\varphi) \subset D.$$

Where $A \Subset B \stackrel{\text{Def}}{\iff} \exists K \text{ compact } \exists \mathcal{O} \text{ set such that } A \subset K \subset \mathcal{O} \subset B.$

Example 1.4.2

(i) Delta-distribution (Dirac-distribution) For $x_* \in \Omega$ define

$$T(\varphi) = \varphi(x_*) \quad \text{choose } C = 1 \text{ and } k = 0$$

(ii) $T(\varphi) = \partial_{x_1}^{17} \varphi(x_*) + \Delta \varphi(\tilde{x})$, $C = d + 1$, $k = 17$

(iii) $\Omega = \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = e^{x^2}$

$$T_f(\varphi) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) \varphi(x) dx = \int_{\text{supp}(\varphi)} f(x) \varphi(x) dx \quad \text{well defined}$$

For $\mathcal{D} \subset]-l, l[$ we find $|T_f(\varphi)| \leq 2le^{l^2} \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{C}^0(\Omega)}$ if $\text{supp}(\varphi) \subset \mathcal{D}$.

(iv) For $f \in L^p(\Omega)$ we define a distribution T_f via

$$\begin{aligned} T_f(\varphi) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int_{\Omega} f(x) \varphi(x) dx = \int_{\mathcal{D}} f(x) \varphi(x) dx \quad \text{where } \varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega) \text{ with } \text{supp}(\varphi) \subset \mathcal{D} \Subset \Omega \\ \implies |T_f(\Omega)| &\stackrel{\text{H\"older}}{\leq} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathcal{D})} \underbrace{\|\varphi\|_{L^{p'}(\mathcal{D})}}_{\text{finite}} \quad \text{with } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1 \\ &\leq \|f\|_{L^p(\Omega)} \left(\underbrace{\int_{\mathcal{D}} 1^{p'} dx}_{\mu(\mathcal{D})} \right)^{1/p'} \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{C}^0} \end{aligned}$$

If $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$, then $\mu(\mathcal{D})$ can be estimated by $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$ uniformly.

(v) $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^3$ $T_{S^2}(\varphi) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{|x|=1} \varphi(x) da$

Definition 1.4.3 (multi dimensional derivatives)

$$\begin{aligned} D^\alpha \varphi &= \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|}}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial x_d^{\alpha_d}} \varphi \quad \alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d) \in \mathbb{N}_0^d \quad |\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_d \\ \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{C}^k(\Omega)} &:= \sum_{\substack{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^d \\ |\alpha| \leq k}} \|D^\alpha \varphi\|_{\mathcal{C}^0(\Omega)} \quad \text{where } \mathcal{C}^0(\Omega) \text{ has } \|\cdot\|_\infty \end{aligned}$$

We motivate the definition of derivatives for distributions as follows: Take $u \in \mathcal{C}^k(\Omega)$ and consider the induced distribution T_u then we want $D^\alpha(T_u) = T_{D^\alpha u}$. (Note that $u \mapsto T_u$ is an embedding of $\mathcal{C}^k(\Omega)$ into the set of distributions.) This means

$$D^\alpha(T_u)(\varphi) \stackrel{\text{should be}}{=} (T_{D^\alpha u})(\varphi) = \int_{\Omega} D^\alpha u(x) \varphi(x) dx = (-1)^{|\alpha|} \int_{\mathcal{D}} D^\alpha u(x) \varphi(x) dx = (-1)^{|\alpha|} T_u(D^\alpha \varphi)$$

Definition 1.4.4

For any distribution $T : \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$ and any multi-index $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0$ we define

$$(D^\alpha T) : \begin{cases} \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{K} \\ \varphi \mapsto (-1)^{|\alpha|} T(D^\alpha \varphi) \end{cases}$$

Remark (Consequences) This is compatible to classical derivatives since we have

- (i) $D^\alpha(Tu) = T_{D^\alpha u}$
- (ii) Linearity
- (iii) $D^\alpha(D^\beta T) = D^{\alpha+\beta}T$

Example 1.4.5 $\Omega = \mathbb{R}$, $u(x) = |x|$. We consider $T_u : \varphi \mapsto \int_{\mathbb{R}} |x|\varphi(x) dx$.

$$\begin{aligned} (DT_u)(\varphi) &\stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} -T_u(\varphi') = - \int_{\mathbb{R}} |x|\varphi'(x) dx \\ &= + \int_{-\infty}^0 (+x)\varphi'(x) dx - \int_0^{\infty} x\varphi'(x) dx \\ &= [x\varphi(x)]_{-\infty}^0 - \int_{-\infty}^0 1\varphi(x) dx - [x\varphi(x)]_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} 1\varphi(x) dx \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} v(x)\varphi(x) dx \quad \text{with } v(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } x > 0 \\ \gamma & \text{for } x = 0 \\ -1 & \text{for } x < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{with arbitrary } \gamma, \text{ e.g. } \gamma = 42. \end{aligned}$$

$DT_u = T_v$. We call (any such) v the distributional derivative of u .

If a distribution \tilde{T} has an integral representation in the sense that $\tilde{T} = T_f : \varphi \mapsto \int_{\Omega} f\varphi dx$, then f is unique (in the sense of a.e. equality).

Proposition 1.4.6 (Uniqueness of integral representation)

If $f, g \in L^1(\Omega)$ and $T_f = T_g$ in the sense of distributions, then $f = g$ in $L^1(\Omega)$, i.e. $f = g$ a.e. in Ω .

Proof: Define $h = f - g$, then $T_h = T_{f-g} = T_f - T_g = 0$. We have to proof that for $h \in L^1(\Omega)$ we have

$$\forall \varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty \quad \int_{\Omega} h(x)\varphi(x) dx = 0 \implies h = 0$$

We know that $\mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega)$ is dense in $L^1(\Omega)$. Hence we can approximate h by $h_\varepsilon \in \mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega)$ with $\|h - h_\varepsilon\|$. Moreover, $\mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\Omega)$ is dense in $\mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega)$ (see Exercise sheet 6). Hence, for $\psi \in \mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega)$ we find $\varphi_n \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\Omega)$ with $\|\psi - \varphi_n\|_{\mathcal{C}^0} \rightarrow 0$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} h\psi dx &= \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} h(\psi - \varphi_n) dx}_{|\cdot| \leq \|h\|_{L^1} \|\psi - \varphi_n\|_{\mathcal{C}^0} \rightarrow 0} + \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} h\varphi_n dx}_{=0} \\ \implies \int_{\Omega} h\psi dx &= 0 \quad \text{for all } \psi \in \mathcal{C}_c^0(\Omega) \end{aligned}$$

We consider T_{h_ε} and obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |T_{h_\varepsilon}(\psi)| &= \left| \int_{\Omega} h_\varepsilon \psi dx \right| = \left| \int_{\Omega} (h_\varepsilon - h)\psi dx + \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} h\psi dx}_{=0} \right| \\ &\leq \|h_\varepsilon - h\|_{L^1} \|\psi\|_{\mathcal{C}^0} \stackrel{(**)}{\leq} \varepsilon \|\psi\|_{\mathcal{C}^0} \end{aligned}$$

We now choose a test function $\psi = \psi_k^\varepsilon$. Idea: Use $\psi^\varepsilon = \text{sign}(h_\varepsilon)$ (not continuous). Then

$$\begin{aligned} T_{h_\varepsilon}(\psi^\varepsilon) &= \int_{\Omega} h_\varepsilon \psi^\varepsilon dx = \int |h_\varepsilon| dx = \|h_\varepsilon\|_{L^1} \\ &\stackrel{**}{\leq} \varepsilon \underbrace{\|\psi^\varepsilon\|_{L^\infty}}_{=1} \leq \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

To be precise, choose approximations of $\text{sign}(h_\varepsilon)$ via $\psi_k^\varepsilon(x) = \text{sign}(h_\varepsilon(x))|h_\varepsilon(x)|^{1/k}$ and therefore $\psi_k^\varepsilon = M_k \circ h_\varepsilon \in C_c^0(\Omega)$.

$$\begin{aligned} T_{h_\varepsilon}(\psi_k^\varepsilon) &= \int_{\Omega} |h_\varepsilon|^{1+1/k} dx \xrightarrow[\text{Domin. convergence}]{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Omega} |h_\varepsilon| dx - \|h_\varepsilon\|_{L^1} \\ \implies \|h_\varepsilon\|_{L^1} &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} T_{h_\varepsilon}(\psi_k^\varepsilon) \stackrel{**}{\leq} \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \varepsilon \|\psi_k^\varepsilon\|_{C^0} \\ &= \varepsilon \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\psi_k^\varepsilon\|_{C^0} = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Since $\max\{|\psi_k^\varepsilon(x)| \mid x \in \Omega\} = \|h_\varepsilon\|_{\infty}^{1/k} \rightarrow 1$. Hence $\|h_\varepsilon\|_{L^1} \leq \varepsilon$ and thus

$$\|h\|_{L^1} \leq \|h - h_\varepsilon\|_{L^1} + \|h_\varepsilon\|_{L^1} < 2\varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \implies h = 0 \quad \text{in } L^1(\Omega) \quad \square$$

We say that $f \in L^p(\Omega)$ has an L^p -derivative $D^\alpha f$ if there exists $g \in L^p(\Omega)$ such that

$$D^\alpha(T_f) = T_g$$

Then we write $D^\alpha f = g$ and call $D^\alpha f$ the distributional derivative.

Theorem 1.4.7 (Gauß' theorem, Divergence Theorem)

$v : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ vector field.

$$\int_{\Omega} \underbrace{\text{div } v}_{\sum_{i=1}^d \partial_{x_i} v_i} dx = \int_{\partial\Omega} \underbrace{v \cdot \nu}_{\sum_{i=1}^d v_i \nu_i} da \quad \text{with } \nu \text{ the outer normal vector}$$

The fundamental version is: $f \in C^1(\overline{\Omega})$

$$\int_{\Omega} \partial_{x_i} f(x) dx = \int_{\partial\Omega} \underbrace{f(\nu \cdot e_i)}_{\nu_i} da$$

Applying to products leads to integration by parts

$$\int_{\Omega} \partial_{x_i}(u\varphi) dx = \int_{\Omega} u \partial_{x_i} \varphi dx + \int_{\Omega} (\partial_{x_i} u) \varphi dx = \int_{\partial\Omega} u \varphi \nu_i da$$

By induction

$$\int_{\Omega} (D^\alpha u) \varphi dx = (-1)^{|\alpha|} \int_{\Omega} u D^\alpha \varphi dx + \int_{\partial\Omega} \dots da$$

Definition 1.4.8 (Sobolev spaces)

Let Ω be a domain (open and connected) and $k \in \mathbb{N}_0, p \in [1, \infty]$.

$$\begin{aligned} W^{k,p}(\Omega) &:= \left\{ f \in L^p(\Omega) \mid \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^d \text{ with } |\alpha| \leq k : D^\alpha f \in L^p(\Omega) \right\} \\ \|f\|_{W^{k,p}(\Omega)} &= \left(\sum_{|\alpha| \leq k} \|D^\alpha f\|_{L^p}^p \right)^{1/p} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 1.4.9

Sobolev spaces are Banach spaces. For $p = 2$ we have Hilbert spaces

$$H^k(\Omega) := W^{k,2}(\Omega) \quad \text{with} \quad \langle f, g \rangle_{H^k(\Omega)} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{|\alpha| < k} \int_{\Omega} D^\alpha f \overline{D^\alpha g} dx$$

Proof:

Step 1 We have a normed vector space. That is straight forward.

Step 2 : Completeness. (interchanging of two limit procedures: converging of CS and differentiation). Take a CS $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $W^{k,p}(\Omega)$, then for all α with $|\alpha| \leq k$ the sequence $(D^\alpha f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a CS in $L^p(\Omega)$.

$$\|D^\alpha f_n - D^\alpha f_m\|_p \leq \|f_n - f_m\|_{W^{k,p}} \rightarrow 0$$

Since $L^p(\Omega)$ is complete, we find $g_\alpha \in L^p(\Omega)$ such that $\|D^\alpha f_n - g_\alpha\|_p \rightarrow 0$. Of course, we have $f = g_0$ is the limit if we forget all derivatives. We expect $D^\alpha f = g_\alpha$.

Claim: For all α with $|\alpha| \leq k$: $D^\alpha f = g_\alpha$ (in the sense of distributions). If the claim holds, then

$$\|f_n - f\|_{W^{k,p}}^p = \sum \|D^\alpha f_n - D^\alpha f\|_p^p \stackrel{\text{Claim}}{=} \sum \|D^\alpha f_n - g_\alpha\|_p^p \rightarrow 0$$

Using the definition of distributional derivative, we have to show

$$D^\alpha(T_f)(\varphi) = (-1)^{|\alpha|} \int_\Omega f D^\alpha \varphi \, dx \stackrel{!!}{=} T_{g_\alpha}(\varphi) = \int_\Omega g_\alpha \varphi \, dx$$

We use continuity of the integral $h \mapsto \int_\Omega h \varphi \, dx$ for $\varphi \in C_c^\infty(\Omega)$, namely

$$\left| \int_\Omega h_1 \varphi \, dx - \int_\Omega h_2 \varphi \, dx \right| \stackrel{\text{Hölder}}{\leq} \|h_1 - h_2\|_{L^p} \underbrace{\|\varphi\|_{L^{p'}}}_{\text{finite}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D^\alpha(T_f)(\varphi) &= (-1)^{|\alpha|} \int_\Omega \underbrace{f}_{\in C_c^\infty(\Omega)} D^\alpha \varphi \, dx \stackrel{\text{continuity}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_\Omega f_n D^\alpha \varphi \, dx \\ &\stackrel{\text{int. by parts}}{\underset{\substack{\varphi \in C_c^\infty(\Omega) \\ f_n \in W^{k,p}(\Omega)}}{=}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_\Omega (D^\alpha f_n) \varphi \, dx \\ &\stackrel{\text{continuity}}{\underset{D^\alpha f_n \rightarrow g_\alpha}{=}} \int_\Omega g_\alpha \varphi \, dx = T_{g_\alpha}(\varphi) \end{aligned}$$

This is the claim $D^\alpha f = g_\alpha$, i.e. the distributional derivative $D^\alpha T_f$ has the L^p -representation T_{g_α} . \square

Lemma 1.4.10

$\Omega = B_1(0) \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, then

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{|x|^\alpha} & \text{for } 0 < |x| < 1 \\ \gamma & \text{for } x = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{for } \gamma \text{ arbitrary}$$

lies in $W^{k,p}(\Omega)$ if $\alpha + k - \frac{p}{d} < 0$. For later we introduce

$$\dot{W}^{k,p}(\Omega) = W_0^{k,p}(\Omega) = H_0^k(\Omega) = \dot{W}^{k,2}(\Omega)$$

$W_0^{k,p}(\Omega)$ is a closed subspace of $W^{k,p}(\Omega)$. Hence, it is again a Banach space.

Topological vector spaces

Let M be a set. A subset \mathcal{T} of $\mathcal{P}(M)$ (the power set of M) is called topology on M , if

- (i) $\emptyset, M \in \mathcal{T}$
- (ii) arbitrary unions of sets in \mathcal{T} again are in \mathcal{T} .
- (iii) finite intersections of sets in \mathcal{T} lie in \mathcal{T} .

The sets in \mathcal{T} are called open sets. The complements $M \setminus T$ for $T \in \mathcal{T}$ are the closed sets. The pair (M, \mathcal{T}) is called a topological space. If (M, \mathcal{T}) and (N, \mathcal{S}) are topological spaces, a mapping $f : M \rightarrow N$ is called continuous, if preimages of open sets (in N) are open (in M):

$$\forall S \in \mathcal{S} : f^{-1}(S) = \{m \in M \mid f(m) \in S\} \in \mathcal{T}$$

Definition 1.4.11

Let (X, \mathbb{K}) be a vector space and \mathcal{T} a topology on X . We call $(X, \mathbb{K}, \mathcal{T})$ a topological vector space, if the vector-space operations are continuous.

$$+ : \begin{cases} X \times X \rightarrow X \\ (u, v) \mapsto u + v \end{cases} \quad \cdot : \begin{cases} \mathbb{K} \times X \rightarrow X \\ (\lambda, u) \mapsto \lambda u \end{cases}$$

Here $(\mathbb{K}, \mathcal{T}_{\text{Euclid}})$ is the field with the usual Euclidean topology.

Example 1.4.12 (i) $X = \mathbb{K}^n$, $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_{\text{Euclid}}$.

(ii) Metric spaces (M, d) , $d : M \times M \rightarrow [0, \infty[$ satisfies

$$\text{M1 positivity } d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$$

$$\text{M2 symmetry } d(x, y) = d(y, x)$$

$$\text{M3 triangle estimate } d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z).$$

Metric topology \mathcal{T}_d on M is defined via open ball $B_r(x) = \{y \in M \mid d(x, y) < r\}$. $\mathcal{T}_d =$ smallest topology containing all $B_r(x)$.

(iii) A normed vector space is a topological vector space in the above sense, if we take the topology induced by norm balls $B_r(x) = \{y \in X \mid \|x - y\| < r\}$.

(iv) On vector spaces, we call a metric translation invariant if $\forall x, y, v \in X : d(x + v, y + v) = d(x, y)$. This implies $d(x, y) = d(x - y, 0)$. For example on \mathbb{R}^n , take $d(x, y) = \sqrt{|x - y|_{\text{Euclid}}}$. If additionally d has the scaling property $d(\lambda x, \lambda y) = |\lambda|d(x, y)$, then $x \mapsto d(x, 0)$ is a norm.

We have Hilbert spaces \subset Banach Spaces \subset topological vector spaces.

Remark In many cases, the topology on a vector space is generated by a family (or system) of seminorms $(X, \mathbb{K}, +, \cdot)$ vector space. $\{p_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ with A index set, $p_\alpha : X \rightarrow [0, \infty[$ a seminorm.

Definition 1.4.13

A family of seminorms is called Hausdorff, if we have the following implication

$$p_\alpha(x) = 0 \text{ for all } \alpha \in A \implies x = 0$$

More general, a topological space (M, \mathcal{T}) is called Hausdorff, if any two points can be separated by open sets, in quantifiers:

$$\forall x, y \in M \text{ with } x \neq y \exists \mathcal{O}_x, \mathcal{O}_y \in \mathcal{T} : x \in \mathcal{O}_x, y \in \mathcal{O}_y \text{ and } \mathcal{O}_x \cap \mathcal{O}_y = \emptyset$$

Definition 1.4.14

Given a family of seminorms $SN = \{p_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ on X , we define a topology on X as follows: We define the open sets

$$\mathcal{O}_{\alpha, r}(x) = \{y \in X \mid p_\alpha(x - y) < r\}$$

Now, \mathcal{T}_{SN} is defined to be the smallest topology containing all $\mathcal{O}_{\alpha, r}(x)$ for $x \in X, \alpha \in A, r > 0$. Since finite intersections lie in \mathcal{T}_{SN} , we define

$$\mathcal{O}_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n, r}(x) = \{y \in X \mid p_{\alpha_j}(x - y) < r \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, n\}$$

which is still open. It can be shown (exercise) that a general subset $M \subset X$ is open if and only if

$$\forall x \in M \exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in A \exists \varepsilon > 0 : \mathcal{O}_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n}(x) \subset M$$

For every vector space X and every family of seminorms SN , the topology \mathcal{T}_{SN} makes (X, \mathcal{T}_{SN}) into a topological vector space. If SN is Hausdorff, then \mathcal{T}_{SN} is a Hausdorff topology.

Example 1.4.15

(i) $X = \mathbb{K}^n$ (\mathbb{R}^n or \mathbb{C}^n) with seminorms $p_j(u) = |u_j|$, $u = (u_1, \dots, u_n) \in \mathbb{K}^n$, index set $A = \{1, \dots, n\}$. SN is Hausdorff.

(ii) $X = \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ arbitrary}\}$, index set $A = \mathbb{R}$, seminorm $p_\alpha(f) = |f(\alpha)|$. Then $SN = \{p_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ is Hausdorff, as $0 = p_\alpha(f) = |f(\alpha)|$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ implies $f \equiv 0$.

- (iii) $X = \mathcal{C}(\]0,1[)$ (no boundedness assumption). Take $f_*(t) = \exp(\frac{1}{t+1}) \implies f_* \in X$. Typical question: $f_n(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n t^k \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1-t} \in X$ in what sense? We want to find a topology for uniform convergence on compact subintervals. $A = \mathbb{N}$, $p_k(f) = \|f|_{[-1+\frac{1}{k}, 1-\frac{1}{k}]}\|_{L^\infty([-1+\frac{1}{k}, 1-\frac{1}{k}])}$. This defines a Hausdorff family of seminorms. $p_k(f) = 0$ for all k then

$$\forall k: f(t) = 0 \text{ for } t \in [-1 + \frac{1}{k}, 1 - \frac{1}{k}] \implies f = 0 \text{ on }]-1, 1[$$

Note: for every $K \Subset]-1, 1[$ there exists $k \in A = \mathbb{N}$ such that $K \subset [-1 + \frac{1}{k}, 1 - \frac{1}{k}]$.

- (iv) $X = \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbb{R})$, $A = \mathbb{N}^2$, $p_{n,k}(f) = \|f^{(n)}|_{[-k,k]}\|_{L^\infty([-k,k])}$.

Definition 1.4.16 (of convergence and Cauchy sequences)

Consider a topological vector space (X, \mathcal{T}) and a sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$. We say that $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to x in (X, \mathcal{T}) if

$$\forall \mathcal{O} \in \mathcal{T} \text{ with } x \in \mathcal{O} \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \forall k \geq n : x_k \in \mathcal{O}$$

We write $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}} x$. The sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is called a Cauchy sequence, if

$$\forall \mathcal{O} \in \mathcal{T} \text{ with } 0 \in \mathcal{O} \exists n \forall k, m \geq n : x_k - x_m \in \mathcal{O}$$

Lemma 1.4.17 (Convergence in case of seminorms)

Assume that the topology \mathcal{T} on X is induced by a Hausdorff family of seminorms. Then $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (X, \mathcal{T}_{SN}) if and only if

$$\forall \alpha \in A : p_\alpha(x_n - x_m) \xrightarrow{n, m \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

Convergence to x is equivalent to

$$\forall \alpha \in A : p_\alpha(x_n - x) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

The limit point (if it exists) is unique.

Proof:

Step 1 CS $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \implies (p_\alpha(x_n))$ CS. Choose $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}_{\alpha, \varepsilon}(0) = \{y \in X \mid p_\alpha(x - y) < \varepsilon\}$ then $x_k - x_m \in \mathcal{O}_{\alpha, \varepsilon}(0) \iff p_\alpha(x_k - x_m) < \varepsilon$.

Step 2 $p_\alpha(x_k - x_m) \rightarrow 0 \implies (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in (X, \mathcal{T}) . Take any $\mathcal{O} \in \mathcal{T}$ with $0 \in \mathcal{O}$. Then

$$\exists \beta_1, \dots, \beta_l \in A \exists \varepsilon > 0 : 0 \in \underbrace{\mathcal{O}_{\beta_1, \dots, \beta_l, \varepsilon}(0)}_{\{y \in X \mid p_{\beta_j}(y-0) < \varepsilon \text{ for } j=1, \dots, l\}} \subset \mathcal{O}$$

$\forall j \in \{1, \dots, l\} \exists n_j \forall k, m \geq n_j : p_{\beta_j}(x_n - x_m) < \varepsilon$. For $k, m \geq \max\{n_1, \dots, n_l\}$ we find $x_k - x_m \in \mathcal{O}_{\beta_1, \dots, \beta_l, \varepsilon}(0) \subset \mathcal{O}$.

Step 3 Characterization of convergence works similarly.

Step 4 Uniqueness of limit. Assume $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}} x$ and $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}} \tilde{x}$. We find for $\alpha \in A$

$$p_\alpha(x - \tilde{x}) \stackrel{\Delta\text{-est.}}{\leq} p_\alpha(x - x_n) + p_\alpha(x_n - \tilde{x}) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

Hence, $p_\alpha(x - \tilde{x}) = 0$ for all $\alpha \in A$. Since SN is Hausdorff we conclude $x = \tilde{x}$. □

With the above examples, we have

Example 1.4.18

- (i) $X = \mathbb{K}^n$, $p_j(u) = |u_j|$. SN convergence \iff coordinatewise convergence. $\|u\| = \sum_{j=1}^n p_j(u)$ is a norm.
- (ii) $X = \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$, $p_\alpha(f) = |f(\alpha)|$. $p_\alpha(f_n - f) \rightarrow 0 \iff f_n(\alpha) \rightarrow f(\alpha)$. Thus, convergence means pointwise convergence. $\forall \alpha \in A : p_\alpha(f_n - f) \rightarrow 0$ means here $\forall t \in \mathbb{R} : f_n(t) \rightarrow f(t)$ (simple pointwise convergence).
- (iii) $X = \mathcal{C}(\] - 1, 1[)$, $p_n(f) = \|f\|_{\mathcal{C}^0([-1+\frac{1}{n}, 1-\frac{1}{n}])}$. $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : f_k \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $[-1 + \frac{1}{n}, 1 - \frac{1}{n}]$. Uniform convergence on compact subsets.
- (iv) $X = \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbb{R})$. $p_{n,k}(f) = \|f^{(n)}\|_{\mathcal{C}^0([-k,k])}$ implies uniform convergence of all derivatives on every compact set. If $f_m(t) = \sum_{l=0}^m \frac{1}{l!} t^l$, then $f_l \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}} f : t \mapsto \exp(t)$.

If a family of seminorms is finite and Hausdorff, then $\|x\| = \sum_{\alpha \in A} p_\alpha(x)$ is a norm generating the same topology, i.e. $\mathcal{T}_{SN} = \mathcal{T}_{\|\cdot\|}$. If the index set is countable, one can still define a translation invariant metric d_{SN} as follows

$$d_{SN}(x, y) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \frac{p_{\alpha_j}(x-y)}{1 + p_{\alpha_j}(x-y)} \quad d_{SN} : X \times X \rightarrow [0, 1[$$

is well defined and satisfies

(i) $d_{SN}(x, y) = d_{SN}(x-y, 0)$ (translation invariance)

(ii) $d_{SN}(x, y) = 0 \implies x = y$ (positivity). Proof: $\sum = 0 \implies \frac{1}{2^j} \frac{p_{\alpha_j}(x-y)}{1 + p_{\alpha_j}(x-y)} = 0$ for all $j \implies \forall j : p_{\alpha_j}(x-y) = 0 \implies SN$ Hausdorff $x-y$.

(iii) triangle estimate

$$\begin{aligned} d_{SN}(x, z) \leq d_{SN}(x, y) + d_{SN}(y, z) &\iff d_{SN}(\underbrace{x-z}_{x_1+x_2}, 0) \leq d_{SN}(\underbrace{x-y}_{x_1}, 0) + d_{SN}(\underbrace{y-z}_{=x_2}, 0) \\ d_{SN}(x_1+x_2, 0) &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \frac{p_{\alpha_j}(x_1+x_2)}{1 + p_{\alpha_j}(x_1+x_2)} \stackrel{\substack{p_\alpha \text{ seminorm} \\ \text{monotonicity}}}{\leq} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \frac{p_{\alpha_j}(x_1) + p_{\alpha_j}(x_2)}{1 + p_{\alpha_j}(x_1) + p_{\alpha_j}(x_2)} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \frac{p_{\alpha_j}(x_1)}{1 + p_{\alpha_j}(x_1) + p_{\alpha_j}(x_2)} + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \frac{p_{\alpha_j}(x_2)}{1 + p_{\alpha_j}(x_1) + p_{\alpha_j}(x_2)} \\ &= d_{SN}(x_1, 0) + d_{SN}(x_2, 0) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.4.19

Take a vector space X and a countable Hausdorff family $SN = \{p_k \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of seminorms. Define the metric

$$d(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \frac{p_k(x-y)}{1 + p_k(x-y)}$$

then the topologies \mathcal{T}_{SN} and \mathcal{T}_d coincide, i.e. $\mathcal{T}_{SN} = \mathcal{T}_d \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$

Remark We can define more general metrics via $d(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k g(p_k(x-y))$ where $a_k > 0$, $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k < \infty$, $g : [0, \infty[\rightarrow [0, 1]$ continuous, concave and $g(0) = 0$.

Proof: We have to prove:

(i) $\forall \mathcal{O}_d \in \mathcal{T}_d : \mathcal{O}_d \in \mathcal{T}_{SN}$ this means $\forall x \in \mathcal{O}_d \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \exists \varepsilon > 0 : \mathcal{O}_{1, \dots, n, \varepsilon}(x) \subset \mathcal{O}_d$.

(ii) $\forall \mathcal{O}_{SN} \in \mathcal{T}_{SN} \forall x \in \mathcal{O}_{SN} \exists \varepsilon > 0 : B_\varepsilon^d(x) \subset \mathcal{O}_{SN}$.

ad (i) Given $\mathcal{O}_d \in \mathcal{T}_d$ and $x \in \mathcal{O}_d$. By definition of \mathcal{T}_d , there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $B_\delta(x) \subset \mathcal{O}_d$. Choose $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\frac{1}{2^{N+1}} < \frac{\delta}{4}$ and define $\mathcal{O}_{1, \dots, N, \delta/2}(x) \in \mathcal{O}_{SN}$.

Claim: $x \in \mathcal{O}_{1, \dots, N, \delta/2}(x) \subset B_\delta^d(x) \subset \mathcal{O}_d$.

Take $y \in \mathcal{O}_{1, \dots, N, \delta/2}(x)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, y) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \frac{p_k(x-y)}{1 + p_k(x-y)} \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{2^k} \frac{\frac{\delta}{2}}{1 + \frac{\delta}{2}} + \sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \cdot 1 < \frac{\delta}{2} + \frac{1}{2^N} \leq \delta \\ &\implies y \in B_\delta^d(x) \end{aligned}$$

ad (ii) Given $\mathcal{O}_{SN} \in \mathcal{T}_{SN}$ and $x \in \mathcal{O}_{SN}$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $x \in \mathcal{O}_{1, \dots, N, \varepsilon}(x) \subset \mathcal{O}_{SN}$ (by definition of \mathcal{T}_{SN}). Choose $\delta \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2^{N+1}}$ and $\delta < \frac{1}{2}$ and define $B_\delta^d(x) \in \mathcal{T}_d$.

Claim: $x \in B_\delta^d(x) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_{1, \dots, N, \varepsilon}(x) \in \mathcal{O}_{SN}$. For $y \in B_\delta^d(x)$ we have $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \frac{p_k(x-y)}{1 + p_k(x-y)} < \delta$. That implies

$$\frac{p_k(x-y)}{1 + p_k(x-y)} \leq \delta 2^k \leq 2^k \frac{\varepsilon}{2^{N+1}} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \implies p_k(x-y) < \varepsilon \quad \text{for } k = 1, \dots, N \quad \square$$

Definition 1.4.20

For a topological space (M, \mathcal{T}) the topology is called metrizable if there exists a metric d on M , such that $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_d$.

2 Linear operators

2.1 Continuous linear operators

Definition 2.1.1

If (X, \mathcal{T}) and (Y, \mathcal{S}) are topological vector spaces, then an operator (map, mapping) T is called *continuous* if preimages of open sets are open.

$$\forall S \in \mathcal{S} : \{x \in X \mid T(x) \in S\} \in \mathcal{T}$$

Theorem 2.1.2

If we have two normed spaces $(X, \mathcal{T}_{\|\cdot\|})$ and $(Y, \mathcal{S}_{\|\cdot\|})$, then a linear operator $T : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous if and only if there exists a $C \geq 0$ such that

$$\|Tx\| \leq C\|x\| \quad \text{for all } x \in X$$

Remark A linear operator T satisfying $\|Tx\| \leq C\|x\|$ is called *linear bounded* or simply *bounded*. A *bounded linear operator* means continuous linear operator between normed spaces.

Proof:

" \Rightarrow " T is continuous. We have to find C . Take $S = B_1^Y(0) = \{y \in Y \mid \|y\| < 1\} \in \mathcal{S}_{\|\cdot\|}$. The preimage $T^{-1}(S) := \{x \in X \mid Tx \in S\}$ is open by continuity of T . Since $0 \in T^{-1}(S)$ (note $\|T0_X\| = \|0_Y\| = 0 < 1$) there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $B_\varepsilon^X(0_X) \subset T^{-1}(S) \implies \forall x \in X$ with $\|x\| < \varepsilon : \|Tx\| < 1$. By linearity (scaling) we have $\|Tx\| \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon}\|x\|$.

" \Leftarrow " Boundedness implies continuity. To show: preimages of open sets are open. For $x \in T^{-1}(S)$ consider $Tx \in S$ open. Hence, $\exists \varepsilon > 0 : B_\varepsilon^Y(Tx) \subset S$. Consider $B_{\varepsilon/C}^X(x) \subset X$, then for $z \in B_{\varepsilon/C}^X(x)$ we have

$$\|Tz - Tx\| = \|T(x - z)\| \leq C\|x - z\| < \varepsilon$$

Hence

$$Tz \in B_\varepsilon^Y(Tx) \subset S \implies z \in T^{-1}(S) \text{ for all } z \in B_{\varepsilon/C}^X(x) \implies B_{\varepsilon/C} \subset T^{-1}(S) \implies T^{-1}(S) \text{ open} \quad \square$$

Remark (Notation) For two topological vector spaces X and Y we write $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ for the vector space of all continuous linear operators. In the case of normed spaces, we introduce the *operator norm*

$$\|T\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)} = \sup \left\{ \frac{\|Tx\|}{\|x\|} \mid x \in X \setminus \{0\} \right\}$$

Proposition 2.1.3

If $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ and $(Y, \|\cdot\|)$ are normed spaces, then $(\mathcal{L}(X, Y), \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)})$ is again a normed space. Moreover, if Y is a Banach space, then $(\mathcal{L}(X, Y), \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)})$ is a Banach space.

Proof:

Step 1 $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ is a vector space.

Step 2 $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)}$ is a norm on $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$. Positivity, scaling and triangle estimate are trivial.

Step 3 Completeness (exercise). □

Remark (Notation) Simplifying notation: $\mathcal{L}(X) := \mathcal{L}(X, X)$ and $X' = \mathcal{L}(X, \mathbb{K})$. For $T_1, T_2 \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ we can write the composition $(T_1 \circ T_2)(x) = T_1(T_2(x))$ as $T_1 T_2 x$. We have $T_1 T_2 \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ since the composition of continuous functions is continuous. The operator norm can be estimated via

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_1 T_2 x\| &\leq \|T_1\|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} \|T_2 x\| \\ \|T_1 T_2 x\| &\leq \|T_1\|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} \|T_2\|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} \|x\| \\ \|T_1 T_2\|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} &\leq \|T_1\|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} \|T_2\|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} \end{aligned}$$

A Banach space $(Y, \|\cdot\|)$ with an additional multiplication satisfying $\|y_1 \odot y_2\| \leq \|y_1\| \|y_2\|$ is called a *Banach algebra*.

Example 2.1.4

(i) Multiplication operator: $X \in L^p(\Omega), Y \in L^q(\Omega)$ with $1 \leq q \leq p$. Take a function $m \in L^r(\Omega)$ with $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{q}$.

$$T_m : \begin{cases} L^p(\Omega) \rightarrow L^q(\Omega) \\ u \mapsto mu \end{cases}$$

For m fixed, this is a linear operator, as

$$\|T_m u\|_{L^q} = \|mu\|_{L^q} \stackrel{\text{Hölder}}{\leq} \|m\|_{L^r} \|u\|_{L^p}$$

Hence, $T_m \in \mathcal{L}(L^p, L^q)$ with $\|T_m\|_{\mathcal{L}(L^p, L^q)} \leq \|m\|_{L^r}$.

(ii) Differential operator: $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ domain. $X = W^{1,p}(\Omega), Y = (L^p(\Omega))^d$.

$$T : \begin{cases} W^{1,p}(\Omega) \rightarrow (L^p(\Omega))^d \\ u \mapsto \nabla u \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad \nabla u = \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_d} \right)$$

$$\|Tu\|_{L^p} = \|\nabla u\|_{L^p} \leq 1 \|u\|_{W^{1,p}(\Omega)} \quad \text{where} \quad \|u\|_{W^{1,p}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^d \|\partial_{x_i} u\|_{L^p}^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$\nabla \in \mathcal{L}(W^{1,p}, L^p)$$

$$D^\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(W^{k+|\alpha|,p}(\Omega), W^{k,p}(\Omega)) \quad \text{where} \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^d$$

(iii) Integral operator: $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ domain, integral Kernel $K : \Omega \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, X = Y = \mathcal{C}_{\text{bdd}}^0(\overline{\Omega}), \|\cdot\|_X = \|\cdot\|_{L^\infty}$

$$(T_K u)(x) = v(x) = \int_{\Omega} K(x, y) u(y) dy$$

$$\|v\|_{\infty} = \sup_{x \in \Omega} \left| \int_{\Omega} K(x, y) u(y) dy \right|$$

$$\leq \sup_{x \in \Omega} \int |K(x, y)| \underbrace{|u(y)|}_{\leq \|u\|_{L^\infty}} dy$$

$$\leq \underbrace{\sup_{x \in \Omega} \|K(x, \cdot)\|_{L^1}}_{\geq \|T_K\|_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{C}^0, \mathcal{C}^0)}} \|u\|_{L^\infty}$$

$$\text{Take } \Omega = \mathbb{R}, K(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-|x-y|}, \|K(x, \cdot)\|_{L^1} = 1, v(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{2} e^{-|x-y|} u(y) dy$$

Two topological vector spaces (X, \mathcal{T}) , and (Y, \mathcal{S}) , $L : X \rightarrow Y$, is continuous if preimages of open sets are open. With $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_{\|\cdot\|_X}$ and $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{T}_{\|\cdot\|_Y}$ we have

$$L \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y) \iff \exists C \geq 0 \forall x \in X : \|Lx\|_Y \leq C \|x\|_X$$

if \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{S} are induced by families of seminorms

$$\{p_\alpha^X \mid \alpha \in I\} \quad \text{for } \mathcal{T} \quad \text{and} \quad \{p_\beta^Y \mid \beta \in J\} \quad \text{for } \mathcal{S}$$

Theorem 2.1.5

If (X, \mathcal{T}) and (Y, \mathcal{S}) are induced by the above families of seminorms and both Hausdorff, then a linear mapping $L : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous if and only if

$$\forall \beta \in J \exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{N(\beta)} \in I \exists C(\beta) \forall x \in X : p_\beta(Lx) \leq C(\beta) (p_{\alpha_1}(x) + \dots + p_{\alpha_{N(\beta)}}(x))$$

(Normed spaces are special cases with $\#I = |I| = 1 = \#J$.)

Proof: See exercise 27.

As an application we consider the space of *Schwartz functions*

$$S(\mathbb{R}^d) := \{f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^\infty) \mid \forall n, k \in \mathbb{N} : p_{n,k}(f) < \infty\}$$

where $p_{n,k}(f) = \sup\{(1 + |x|^2)^{n/2} |D^\alpha f(x)| \mid x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^d, |\alpha| = k\}$. $\{p_{n,k} \mid (n, k) \in \mathbb{N}_0^2\}$ is a family of seminorm. Exercise 28 shows that $(S(\mathbb{R}^d), \mathcal{T}_{SN})$ is a complete topological vector space.

There are many classical linear operators that turn out to be continuous:

- (i) Multiplication by polynomials (by functions that can be estimated by polynomials)
- (ii) $f \mapsto D^\alpha f$ is continuous
- (iii) Fourier transform

$$\mathcal{F} : \begin{cases} S(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow S(\mathbb{R}^d) \\ u \mapsto \mathcal{F}u \end{cases} \quad (\mathcal{F}u)(\xi) = c_d \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} e^{-ix \cdot \xi} u(x) dx$$

With $c_d = 1$ in statistics and $c_d = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}}$ in functional analysis.

Proposition 2.1.6

$\mathcal{F} : S(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow S(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is continuous.

Proof:

Step 1 integrand for each ξ is bounded by

$$|e^{ix \cdot \xi} u(x)| = |u(x)| \leq \frac{1}{(1 + |x|)^{d+1}} p_{d+1,0}(u) \implies |\mathcal{F}u(\xi)| \leq \underbrace{\int \frac{1}{(1 + |x|)^{d+1}} dx}_{=: \tilde{c}_d} p_{d+1,0}(u)$$

$$p_{0,0}(\mathcal{F}u) \leq \tilde{c}_d p_{d+1,0}(u).$$

Step 2 Assuming that all calculations can be made rigorous by interchanging limits (i.e. dominated convergence of Lebesgue (1.3.19))

$$D^\alpha(\mathcal{F}u)(\xi) = c_d \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} D_\xi^\alpha(e^{-ix \cdot \xi}) u(x) = c_d \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} (-ix)^\alpha e^{-ix \cdot \xi} u(x) dx$$

$$(-ix)^\alpha \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (-i)^{|\alpha|} \prod_{j=1}^d x_j^{\alpha_j}$$

We found the formula $D^\alpha(\mathcal{F}u) = (-i)^{|\alpha|} \mathcal{F}(x^\alpha u(x))$

$$\text{Hence } \sup |D^\alpha \mathcal{F}u| = \sup |\mathcal{F}(x^\alpha u(x))| \stackrel{\text{Step 1}}{\leq} \tilde{c}_d p_{d+1,0}(x^\alpha u(x)) \leq \tilde{c}_d p_{d+1+|\alpha|,0}(u)$$

Result:

$$p_{0,k}(\mathcal{F}u) \leq \tilde{c}_d p_{d+1+k,0}(u)$$

Step 3

$$\begin{aligned} \xi^\alpha \mathcal{F}(u)(\xi) &= c_d \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \underbrace{\xi^\alpha e^{-x \cdot \xi}}_{(-i)^{|\alpha|} D_x^\alpha(e^{-ix \cdot \xi})} u(x) dx \\ &= c_d (-i)^{|\alpha|} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} D_x^\alpha(e^{-ix \cdot \xi}) u(x) dx \\ &\stackrel{\text{make rigorous}}{\stackrel{\text{integration by parts}}{=}} c_d \int e^{-ix \cdot \xi} (D^\alpha u)(x) dx \\ \xi^\alpha \mathcal{F}(u)(\xi) &= \mathcal{F}(D^\alpha u) \\ p_{L,0}(\mathcal{F}u) &\stackrel{\text{Step 1}}{\leq} \tilde{c}_d \sum_{|\alpha|=L} p_{d+1,0}(D^\alpha u) \leq \hat{c}_d p_{d+1,L}(u) \end{aligned}$$

Step 4 For all $n, k \in \mathbb{N}_0 \exists \tilde{c}_{n,k} \forall u \in S(\mathbb{R}^d) : p_{n,k}(\mathcal{F}u) \leq \tilde{c}_{n,k} p_{d+1+k,n}(u)$.

Message: Fourier transform interchanges smoothness against decay. □

2.2 The (four) principles of functional analysis

We want to use specific properties of Banach spaces.

- (i) Open mapping principle.
 - (ii) Principle of the continuous inverse
 - (iii) Closed graph theorem.
 - (iv) Theorem/principle of Banach Steinhaus.
- (i)-(iv) rely on Baire category theorem.

Theorem 2.2.1 (René-Louis Baire, 1874-1932)

Let (X, d) be a complete metric space. Assume that X is the countable union of closed sets, then at least one of these closed sets have nonempty interior. In formulas: Let A_1, A_2, \dots closed in X and $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$. Then $\exists x \in X \exists r > 0 \exists n : B_r(x) \subset A_n$.

The equivalent formulation via negation and complements says:

If the sets \mathcal{O}_n are open and dense (i.e. $A_n = X \setminus \mathcal{O}_n$ is closed and has empty interior), then the intersection $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{O}_n$ is still dense.

Proof: We consider open and dense sets and have to show

$$\forall y \in X \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists x \in B_\varepsilon(y) \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : x \in \mathcal{O}_n$$

We start from a given y and $\varepsilon > 0$ and construct a sequence x_n such that $x_n \rightarrow x$. $B_r(z) = \{x \in X \mid d(z, x) < r\}$. \mathcal{O}_1 is open and dense, hence $B_{\varepsilon/2} \cap \mathcal{O}_1$ is still open and nonempty (by density).

$$\implies \exists x_1 \in X \exists \varepsilon_1 > 0 : B_{3\varepsilon_1}(x_1) \subset B_{\varepsilon/2}(y) \cap \mathcal{O}_1$$

By induction we find x_{k+1} and $\varepsilon_{k+1} > 0$ such that $B_{3\varepsilon_{k+1}}(x_{k+1}) \subset B_{\varepsilon_k} \cap \mathcal{O}_{k+1}$ by density of \mathcal{O}_{k+1} and openness and $\varepsilon_{k+1} \leq \varepsilon_k/3$. For the centers and $n > k$ we find the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_k, x_n) &\leq d(x_k, x_{k+1}) + \dots + d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \leq \varepsilon_k + \varepsilon_{k+1} + \dots + \varepsilon_{n-1} \\ &\leq \varepsilon_k + \varepsilon_k/3 + \varepsilon_k/9 + \dots \leq \frac{3}{2}\varepsilon_k \leq \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{3^{k-1}} \varepsilon_1 \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

We have a Cauchy sequence and completeness gives a limit $x \in X$ such that $d(x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$. Moreover

$$d(x_k, x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_k, x_n) \leq \frac{3}{2}\varepsilon_k \implies x \in \overline{B_{3/2\varepsilon_k}(x_k)} \subset B_{3\varepsilon_k}(x_k) \stackrel{\text{construction}}{\subset} B_{\varepsilon_{k-1}}(x_{k-1}) \cap \mathcal{O}_k$$

Hence $x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{O}_k$ and $x \in \overline{B_{\varepsilon/2}(y)} \subset B_\varepsilon(y)$. □

Definition 2.2.2

A mapping $T : X \rightarrow Y$ between topological spaces (X, \mathcal{T}) and (Y, \mathcal{S}) is called open, if the image of open sets is open.

$$\forall \mathcal{O} \in \mathcal{T} : T(\mathcal{O}) \subset \mathcal{S}$$

Example 2.2.3 $X = Y = \mathbb{R}$ with Euclidean topology. $T(x) = x^2$ is not, since $T([-1, 1]) = [0, 1]$ is not open.

Definition 2.2.4

We call $L : X \rightarrow Y$ open if $L\mathcal{O}$ is open in Y for open $\mathcal{O} \subset X$. For normed spaces and linear maps we have an easy characterization:

$$L \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y) \text{ open} \iff LB_1^X(0_X) \supset B_\varepsilon^Y(0_Y) \text{ for some } \varepsilon > 0$$

Proof: " \implies " Note $0_Y \in LB_1^X(0_X)$ since $L0_X = 0_Y$. Since $LB_1^X(0_X)$ is open, we find $\varepsilon > 0$ as desired.

" \impliedby " Take any $\mathcal{O} \subset X$ open and $y \in L\mathcal{O}$. Choose $x \in \mathcal{O}$ such that $Lx = y$ and $\delta > 0$ such that $B_\delta(x) \subset \mathcal{O}$. By linearity

$$LB_\delta(x) = L(x + B_\delta(0_X)) = Lx + LB_\delta^X(0_X) = y + LB_\delta^X(0_X) \stackrel{\text{assumption}}{\supset} y + B_{\varepsilon\delta}^Y(0_Y) = B_{\varepsilon\delta}^Y(y)$$

Since $y \in B_{\varepsilon\delta}^Y(y) \subset LB_\delta^X(x) \subset L\mathcal{O}$ we have shown that $L\mathcal{O}$ is open. □

Theorem 2.2.5 (Open mapping theorem)

If X and Y are Banach spaces and $L \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ is surjective, then L is open.

Proof:

Step 1 Claim: $\exists c > 0 : A = \overline{LB_1^X(0_X)} \supset B_{2c}^Y(0_Y)$. A is symmetric and convex, i.e.

$$(i) \ y \in A \iff -y \in A \quad (B_1^X(0) \text{ is symmetric and } L \text{ linear})$$

$$(ii) \ y_1, y_2 \in A \implies \frac{1}{2}(y_1 + y_2) \in A \quad (B_1^X(0) \text{ is convex and } L \text{ is linear})$$

Since L is surjective and $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n(0)$ (countability, balls) we have

$$\begin{aligned} Y \stackrel{\text{surj}}{=} LX &= L \left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n^X(0) \right) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} LB_n^X(0) \\ &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \quad \text{with} \quad A_n = \overline{LB_n^X(0)} \end{aligned}$$

Baire's theorem provides an n_0 and a ball $B_{\varepsilon_0}(y_0) \subset A_{n_0}$ with $\varepsilon_0 > 0$. By scaling and linearity of L we know $A_n = nA_1 := \{ny \mid y \in A_1\}$. Hence, again by scaling and linearity, $A = A_1 \supset B_{\varepsilon_0/n_0}(\frac{1}{n_0}y_0)$. By symmetry we also know $-B_{\varepsilon_0/n_0}(\frac{1}{n_0}y_0) = B_{\varepsilon_0/n_0}(-\frac{1}{n_0}y_0)$ lies in A . By convexity we also know that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}B_{\varepsilon_0/n_0}(\frac{1}{n_0}y_0) + \frac{1}{2}B_{\varepsilon_0/n_0}(-\frac{1}{n_0}y_0) &\subset A := \left\{ \frac{1}{2}y_+ + \frac{1}{2}y_- \mid y_{\pm} \in B_{\varepsilon_0/n_0}(\pm \frac{1}{n_0}y_0) \right\} \\ &= B_{\varepsilon_0/n_0}(0_X) \quad \text{after some calculation} \end{aligned}$$

Claim holds for $c = \frac{\varepsilon_0}{2n_0}$.

Step 2 Claim: $LB_1^X(0) \supset B_c^Y(0)$ (no closure but half the radius). For every $y \in B_c^Y(0)$ we have to find a preimage $x \in B_1^X(0)$, i.e. $Lx = y$ and $\|x\| < 1$. We do this by approximation:

Step 2.1 Choose $z_1 \in B_{\frac{1}{2}}^X(0) : \{\|y - Lz - 1\| < \varepsilon_1 = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\}$. The existence of such a z_1 follows by Step 1. (Note that $2y \in A$. Hence $2y$ can be approximated by Lx_k with $\|x_k\| < 1$, e.g. $\|2y - Lx_1\| < 2\varepsilon$. Then let $z_1 = \frac{1}{2}x_1$.) We define $y_1 = y - Lz_1 \in B_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}^Y(0)$.

Step 2.k By induction (Step 2.k) we let $\varepsilon_{k+1} = \varepsilon_k/2$ and choose $z_k \in B_{1/2^k}^X(0_X)$ s.t. $\|y_{k-1} - Lz_k\| < \varepsilon_k$.
 $y_k = y_{k-1} - Lz_k$.

We define $x_n = \sum_{k=1}^n z_k$ and see that x_n is a Cauchy sequence, since $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|z_k\| < \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} = 1 \implies x \in B_1^X(0)$ is the limit. We still have to check that $Lx = y$. We know $y_{k+1} = y_k - Lz_{k+1}$ by construction. Summing over $k = 0, \dots, n-1$ gives

$$0 \leftarrow \underbrace{y_n}_{\in B_{\varepsilon_k}(0)} = y - \overbrace{L \left(\sum_{k=1}^n z_k \right)}^{\text{continuous}} \quad \text{Taking the limit we have } 0 = y - Lx$$

□

Example 2.2.6 Let $X = Y = \ell^2(\mathbb{N}) = \{(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \sum a_n^2 < \infty\}$ a Hilbert space.

$$La = \left(\frac{1}{n}a_n\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \quad L \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y) \quad \text{since} \quad \|L\|_{\ell^2 \rightarrow \ell^2} = 1$$

L is injective but not surjective. L is not open since $LB_1(0)$ does not contain a ball. Assume $B_{\varepsilon}(0) \subset LB_1(0)$. Take $a = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}c_{\beta}(\frac{1}{n^{\beta}})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\beta \in]\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}[$ where $\frac{1}{c_{\beta}^2} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n^{2\beta}} < \infty \implies a \in B_{\varepsilon}(0)$. But any $b \in \ell^2$ with $Lb = a$ has to satisfy $\frac{1}{n}b_n = a_n \implies b_n = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}c_{\beta}n^{1-\beta}$. This is a contradiction to $b \in \ell^2$.

Theorem 2.2.7 (Inverse Mapping Theorem)

If X and Y are Banach spaces and $L \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ is bijective, then its inverse is continuous, i.e. $L^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(Y, X)$.

This is a simple corollary of the open mapping theorem, since the inverse mapping (assuming it exists) of an open mapping is continuous.

Definition 2.2.8

If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a mapping, then $G(f) = \{(x, f(x)) \in X \times Y \mid x \in X\}$ is called the graph of f . For a linear mapping $L : X \rightarrow Y$ the graph $G(L)$ is a linear subspace of $X \times Y$. A graph $G(f)$ is called closed, if $G(f)$ is closed in $X \times Y$. For normed spaces this means for $(x_n, y_n) \in G(f)$ and $x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \rightarrow y$ we have $(x, y) \in G(f)$.

Obviously, continuous maps have closed graphs, since $y_n = f(x_n)$ implies $y = f(x)$. However, there are many interesting operators with closed graphs that are not continuous. Take $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ for $x \neq 0$ and $f(0) = \frac{\pi^2}{17}$, that has a closed graph.

Theorem 2.2.9 (Closed graph theorem)

If X and Y are Banach spaces, and $L : X \rightarrow Y$ is linear, then we have the equivalence

$$L \text{ continuous} \iff G(L) \text{ is closed}$$

Proof: " \Rightarrow " is trivial.

" \Leftarrow " $Z = G(L) \subset X \times Y = \text{Banach space with } \|(x, y)\| = \|x\|_X + \|y\|_Y$. Hence, $(Z, \|\cdot\|)$ is a Banach space. We define $P_X : X \times Y \rightarrow X$ as $(x, y) \mapsto x$. Then, the restriction P_X to Z is bijective and continuous $P_X(x, Lx) = x$.

$$\|P_X(x, Lx)\|_X = \|x\|_X \leq 1 \cdot \|(x, Lx)\|$$

By the inverse mapping theorem (2.2.7) $P_X^{-1} : X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous. Moreover, $P_Y : X \times Y \rightarrow Y, (x, y) \mapsto y$ lies in $\mathcal{L}(X \times Y, Y)$ and hence $P_Y|_Z \in \mathcal{L}(Z, Y)$. The composition $L = P_Y P_X^{-1}$ is continuous. \square

Theorem 2.2.10 (Theorem of Banach-Steinhaus)

Let X and Y be Banach spaces and $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ (family of bounded linear operators) with

$$\forall x \in X : \sup\{\|Tx\|_Y \mid T \in \mathcal{M}\} < \infty.$$

Then there exists a constant $c > 0$ such that $\|T\|_{X \rightarrow Y} \leq c$ for all $T \in \mathcal{M}$. In words: Pointwise boundedness of an operator family implies uniform boundedness. This explains the name Uniform Boundedness Principle (of Banach and Steinhaus).

Proof: We define the set

$$A_n = \{x \in X \mid \forall T \in \mathcal{M} : \|Tx\|_Y \leq n\}$$

This set is closed, as all $T \in \mathcal{M}$ are continuous ($\|Tx_k\| \leq n$ and $x_k \rightarrow x \implies \|Tx\| \leq n$). By the pointwise boundedness we know $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$. Since X is a Banach space, Baire's theorem gives an $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ and a ball $B_\varepsilon(x) \subset A_{n_0}$ with $\varepsilon > 0$. This means

$$\forall z \in B_1^X(0) \forall T \in \mathcal{M} : \|T(\underbrace{x + \varepsilon z}_{\in B_\varepsilon(x)})\| \leq n_0$$

By scaling and linearity we obtain for $\tilde{x} \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \|T\tilde{x}\| &= \frac{\|\tilde{x}\|}{\varepsilon} \|T(x + \varepsilon \frac{\tilde{x}}{\|\tilde{x}\|}) - Tx\| \\ &\stackrel{\Delta\text{-est.}}{\leq} \frac{\|\tilde{x}\|}{\varepsilon} \left(\underbrace{\|T(x + \frac{\tilde{x}}{\|\tilde{x}\|})\|}_{\leq n_0} + \underbrace{\|Tx\|}_{\leq c_X} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } \|T\tilde{x}\| \leq \underbrace{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}(n_0 + c_X)}_{:=c} \|\tilde{x}\|. \quad \square$$

Corollary 2.2.11

Let $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ and $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ be Banach spaces and let $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ be a pointwise convergent sequence, i.e. $\forall x \in X : (T_n x)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges in $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$. Let $T : X \rightarrow Y, Tx := \lim T_n x \forall x$. Then

(i) $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is uniformly bounded, i.e. $\exists c > 0 : \|T_n\|_{X \rightarrow Y} \leq c$.

(ii) $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ and $\|T\|_{X \rightarrow Y} \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n\|_{X \rightarrow Y}$.

Proof:

Ad (i): $\forall x \in X : (T_n x)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges in Y and that implies $(T_n x)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is bounded. Hence $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ (or $\{T_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$) is bounded pointwise and by Banach-Steinhaus $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ uniformly bounded.

Ad (ii): T is linear, because every T_n and "lim" are linear.

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in X : \|Tx\|_Y &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n x\|_Y = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n x\|_Y \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\|T_n\|_{X \rightarrow Y} \cdot \|x\|_X) \\ &= (\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n\|_{X \rightarrow Y}) \cdot \|x\|_X \leq c \|x\|_X \\ \implies T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y) \quad \text{and} \quad \|T\|_{X \rightarrow Y} &\leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n\|_{X \rightarrow Y} \end{aligned}$$

□

Proposition 2.2.12

Let $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ and $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ be Banach spaces and let $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence in $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges pointwise, i.e. $\forall x \in X : (T_n x)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges in Y .
- (ii) $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is uniformly bounded and there is a dense subset $S \subset X$ s.t. $\forall x \in S : (T_n x)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges in Y .

If these conditions are fulfilled, then $T : X \rightarrow Y$, defined by $Tx := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n x$ is linear and bounded and $\|T\|_{X \rightarrow Y} \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n\|_{X \rightarrow Y}$.

Proof: (i) \implies (ii) and the additional statements are consequences of the previous corollary. It remains to show (ii) \implies (i).

If (ii) is fulfilled, there is a $c > 0$ s.t. $\|T_n\|_{X \rightarrow Y} \leq c$. Let $x \in X$, let $\varepsilon > 0$. As S is dense in X , there is a $z \in S$ s.t. $\|x - z\|_X < \frac{\varepsilon}{3c}$. $z \in S \implies (T_n z)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges in Y , hence is a Cauchy sequence. Hence $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N} \forall m, n \geq n_0 : \|T_m z - T_n z\|_Y < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \forall m, n \geq n_0 : \|T_m x - T_n x\|_Y &\leq \|T_m x - T_m z\|_Y + \|T_m z - T_n z\|_Y + \|T_n z - T_n x\|_Y \\ &\leq \|T_m\|_{X \rightarrow Y} \|x - z\|_X + \|T_m z - T_n z\|_Y + \|T_n\|_{X \rightarrow Y} \|z - x\|_X \\ &< c \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{3c} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + c \frac{\varepsilon}{3c} = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Hence $(T_n x)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Cauchy sequence in Y and as Y is a Banach space, we know that $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges in Y .

□

2.3 Projections

In linear algebra, one considers direct sum decompositions $X = Y \oplus Z$ of a vector space X into two linear subspaces Y and Z , and the associated projections

$$P_Y : X \rightarrow X \quad P_Z : X \rightarrow X$$

where P_Y is defined as $\forall x \in X \exists!(y, z) \in Y \times Z : x = y + z$, then $P_Y(x) := y$.

$$X = Y \oplus Z \iff X = Y + Z := \{y + z \mid y \in Y, z \in Z\} \quad \text{and} \quad Y \cap Z = \{0\}$$

In functional analysis, we are interested in decompositions which respect the topological structure of X , e.g. P_Y and P_Z should be continuous, or Y and Z are closed subspaces of X .

Important question: When does a closed subspace Y has a closed complement Z (i.e. $X = Y \oplus Z$).

Definition 2.3.1

Let M be a set. Then a map $P : M \rightarrow M$ is called a projection if

$$P \circ P = P \quad \text{i.e.} \quad P^2 = P \iff \forall x \in M : P(P(x)) = P(x) \iff P|_{P(M)} = id_{P(M)}$$

Remark (Linear projections) Let X be a vector space and $P : X \rightarrow X$ a linear projection.

- (i) $id_X - P$ is also a linear projection. Linearity is clear and

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in X : (id_X - P)((id_X - P))(x) &= (id_X - P)(x - P(x)) = x - P(x) - P(x - P(x)) \\ &= x - P(x) - P(x) + P(P(x)) \\ &= x - P(x) - P(x) + P(x) = x - P(x) = (id_X - P)(x) \\ \implies (id_X - P) \circ (id_X - P) &= id_X - P \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} R(P) &:= \text{Im}(P) = P(X) = \{P(x) \mid x \in X\} \quad \text{is the range of } P \\ \text{and } N(P) &:= \ker(P) = P^{-1}(0) = \{x \in X \mid P(x) = 0\} \\ \text{with } y \in R(P) = \text{Im}(P) &\iff P(y) = y \iff y - P(y) = 0 \iff (id_X - P)(y) = 0 \\ &\iff y \in N(id_X - P) = \ker(id_X - P) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $R(P) = N(id_X - P)$ and $N(P) = R(id_X - P)$.(iii) Claim: $X = R(P) \oplus N(P) = \text{Im}(P) \oplus \ker(P)$.

- $x \in R(P) \cap N(P) \implies x \stackrel{P|_{R(P)}=id_{R(P)}}{=} P(x) \stackrel{x \in \ker P}{=} 0$. That implies $R(P) \cap N(P) = \{0\}$.
- Let $x \in X$. That means $P(x) \in R(P)$, $x - P(x) = (id_X - P)(x) \in R(id_X - P) = N(P)$ or directly:

$$P(x - P(x)) = P(x) - P(P(x)) = P(x) - P(x) = 0$$

Hence $x = P(x) + (x - P(x)) \implies X = R(P) + N(P)$.Hence $X = R(P) \oplus N(P)$ and P is the projection onto $R(P)$ with respect to this decomposition.**Remark** If $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ is a normed space and $P : X \rightarrow X$ is a linear bounded projection, then

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in X : \|Px\|_X &= \|P(P(x))\|_X \leq \|P\|_{X \rightarrow X} \cdot \|Px\|_X \leq \underbrace{(\|P\|_{X \rightarrow X})^2}_c \|x\|_X \\ \implies \|P\|_{X \rightarrow X} &\leq c = (\|P\|_{X \rightarrow X})^2 \implies \|P\|_{X \rightarrow X} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \|P\|_{X \rightarrow X} \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.3.2 (continuous projections)Let $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ be a Banach space and $P : X \rightarrow X$ a linear projection. Then

$$P \in \mathcal{L}(X, X) \iff R(P) \text{ and } N(P) \text{ are closed subspaces of } X.$$

Proof: " \implies " $P \in \mathcal{L}(X, X)$ implies $N(P) = P^{-1}(0) = P^{-1}(\{0\})$ is the preimage of a closed subset, hence itself closed. Alternatively: $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ sequence in $N(P)$, $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$. Then $P(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 = 0$. Moreover, $P \in \mathcal{L}(X, X)$ implies $id_X - P \in \mathcal{L}(X, X)$ continuous linear projection. Hence $R(P) = N(id_X - P)$ is closed. $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ sequence in $R(P)$:

$$x_n \rightarrow x \in X \implies x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(x_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n) = P(x) \implies x \in R(P)$$

" \impliedby " $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ Banach implies by closed graph theorem (2.2.9), that is suffices to show that the graph $\Gamma(P) = \{(x, Px) \mid x \in X\}$ is closed in $X \times X$. Let $(x_n, Px_n) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} (x, y)$ in $X \times X$. We have to show, that $(x, y) \in \Gamma(P)$, i.e. $y = Px$.

- $(Px_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to y in X and $Px_n \in R(P) \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{R(P) \text{ closed}} y \in R(P)$. Hence $y = P(y)$.

- $(x_n - Px_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $x - y$ in X and $x_n - Px_n \in N(P) \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{N(P) \text{ closed}} x - y \in N(P)$.
 $0 = P(x - y) = Px - Py = Px - y \implies y = Px$.

$\implies \Gamma(P)$ is closed and, by closed graph theorem, $P \in \mathcal{L}(X, X)$. □

Example 2.3.3 (i) $X = L^p((-a, a))$, $a > 0$, $p \in [1, \infty]$. $P : X \rightarrow X$, $f \mapsto Pf$, where

$$(Pf)(t) := \frac{1}{2}(f(t) + \underbrace{f(-t)}_{=:g(t)}) = \frac{1}{2}(f(t) + g(t)) \quad \text{for all } t \in (-a, a)$$

Hence $Pf(-t) = Pf(t)$ for all $t \in (-a, a)$. P is linear and $R(P) = \{h \in X \mid h(t) = h(-t) \forall t \in (-a, a)\}$.

" \subseteq " is clear and $\forall h$ with $h(t) = h(-t)$, $(Pf)(t) = \frac{1}{2}(h(t) + h(-t)) = \frac{1}{2}(h(t) + h(-t)) = h(t)$. Hence $Ph = h$. That implies $R(P) = \{\text{even fct.} \in X\}$ and $P|_{R(P)} = id_{R(P)}$. Therefore P is a projection.

$$\begin{aligned} \forall f \in X : \|Pf\|_{L^p} &= \|\frac{1}{2}f + \frac{1}{2}g\|_{L^p} \leq \frac{1}{2}\|f\|_{L^p} + \frac{1}{2}\|g\|_{L^p} = \|f\|_{L^p} \\ \implies P \text{ continuous and } \|P\|_{L^p \rightarrow L^p} &\leq 1 \stackrel{P \neq 0}{\implies} \|P\|_{L^p \rightarrow L^p} = 1 \\ N(P) &= \{f \in X \mid f(t) = -f(-t) \forall t \in (-a, a)\} \text{ is the set of odd fcts.} \\ ((id_X - P)f)(t) &= \frac{1}{2}(f(t) - f(-t)) \end{aligned}$$

(ii) $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ inner product space, $f, g \in X : \langle f, g \rangle \neq 0$. $P : X \rightarrow X, x \mapsto \frac{\langle x, g \rangle}{\langle f, g \rangle} f$ linear.

- projection: $\forall x \in X : P(Px) = P \left(\frac{\langle x, g \rangle}{\langle f, g \rangle} f \right) = \frac{\langle \frac{\langle x, g \rangle}{\langle f, g \rangle} f, g \rangle}{\langle f, g \rangle} f = \frac{\langle x, g \rangle \langle f, g \rangle}{\langle f, g \rangle \langle f, g \rangle} f = \frac{\langle x, g \rangle}{\langle f, g \rangle} f = Px$
- $\forall x \in X : \|Px\| = \left| \frac{\langle x, g \rangle}{\langle f, g \rangle} \right| \cdot \|f\| \stackrel{\text{CSE}}{\leq} \frac{\|x\| \cdot \|g\|}{|\langle f, g \rangle|} \|f\| \implies P \text{ is continuous and } \|P\|_{X \rightarrow X} \leq \frac{\|f\| \|g\|}{|\langle f, g \rangle|}$. In fact, the following inequality holds: $\|Pg\| = \frac{|\langle g, g \rangle|}{|\langle f, g \rangle|} \|f\| = \frac{\|f\| \|g\|}{|\langle f, g \rangle|} \cdot \|g\| \implies \|P\|_{X \rightarrow X} = \frac{\|f\| \|g\|}{|\langle f, g \rangle|}$

$$R(P) = \text{span}\{f\}, N(P) = \{x \in X \mid \langle x, g \rangle = 0\} = \{g\}^\perp.$$

Projections in Hilbert spaces can be described in more detail in Hilbert spaces because of the additional geometric structure given by a scalar product. We can even investigate non-linear continuous projections such as

$$P : X \rightarrow X, x \mapsto \begin{cases} x & \text{if } \|x\| \leq 1 \\ \frac{x}{\|x\|} & \text{if } \|x\| > 1 \end{cases}$$

Theorem 2.3.4 (Orthogonal projection)

Let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a Hilbert space, $\emptyset \neq A \subseteq X$ a nonempty convex and closed subset. Then

- For every $x \in X$ there is a unique point $Px \in A$ s.t. $\|x - Px\| = \inf_{z \in A} \|x - z\|$. The map $P_A := P : X \rightarrow X, x \mapsto Px$ is then called orthogonal projection onto A .
- For $x \in X, Px \in A$ is the unique point satisfying $\text{Re}(\langle x - Px, z - Px \rangle) \leq 0$ for all $z \in A$.
- For $x, y \in X : 0 \leq \text{Re}(\langle Px - Py, x - y \rangle)$ and $\|Px - Py\| \leq \|x - y\|$. In particular, P is Lipschitz-continuous.

Proof: A closed, X Hilbert space. Then A is a complete metric space.

(i) **Existence** Let $x \in X \implies \exists (y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in A s.t. $\|x - y_n\| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{z \in A} \|x - z\| =: d$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \forall m, n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{y_m + y_n}{2} \in A \quad & \text{by convexity} \\ 4d^2 \leq 4 \left\| x - \frac{y_m + y_n}{2} \right\|^2 &= \|(x - y_m) + (x - y_n)\|^2 \\ & \stackrel{\text{Parallelogram}}{=} 2\|x - y_m\|^2 + 2\|x - y_n\|^2 - \|y_n - y_m\|^2 \quad (*) \\ \|y_m - y_n\|^2 \leq 2\|x - y_m\|^2 + 2\|x - y_n\|^2 - 4d^2 & \end{aligned}$$

If $\varepsilon > 0$, then choose $n_0 < \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\|x - y_n\|^2 - d^2 < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$

$$< 2 \frac{\varepsilon}{4} + 2 \frac{\varepsilon}{4} = \varepsilon \quad \forall m, n \geq n_0$$

Hence $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Cauchy sequence in A and that implies $Px = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$ exists, $Px \in A$. Therefore $\|x - Px\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x - y_n\| = d \implies$ existence proved.

Uniqueness If $y \in A$ also satisfies $\|x - y\| = d$, then $\frac{y + Px}{2} \in A$.

$$\begin{aligned} 4d^2 & \stackrel{(*)}{\leq} 2\|x - Px\|^2 + 2\|x - y\|^2 - \|Px - y\|^2 \\ &= 2d^2 + 2d^2 - \|Px - y\|^2 \implies \|Px - y\|^2 \leq 0 \implies y = Px \end{aligned}$$

Hence P is well defined.

Projection with $R(P) = A : R(P) \subset A$ and $\forall x \in A : \inf_{z \in A} \|x - z\| = \|x - x\| = 0$, so $Px = x$. Hence $A \subseteq R(P) \implies A = R(P)$ and $P|_A = id_A \implies P$ is a projection.

- Let $y \in A$ satisfy $\text{Re}(\langle x - y, x - z \rangle) \leq 0$ for all $z \in A$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \forall z \in A : \|x - z\|^2 &= \|x - y + y - z\|^2 = \|x - y\|^2 + 2 \underbrace{\text{Re}(\langle x - y, y - z \rangle)}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{\|y - z\|^2}_{\geq 0} \geq \|x - y\|^2 \\ \implies \|x - y\| &= \inf_{z \in A} \|x - z\| \implies y = Px. \end{aligned}$$

- $z \in A, \lambda \in (0, 1) \implies Px + \lambda(z - Px) \in A.$

$$\begin{aligned} \|x - Px\|^2 &\leq \|x - (Px - \lambda(z - Px))\|^2 = \|(x - Px) + \lambda(z - Px)\|^2 \\ &= \|x - Px\|^2 - 2\operatorname{Re}(\langle x - Px, \lambda(z - Px) \rangle) \\ &\implies 2\lambda \cdot \operatorname{Re}(\langle x - Px, z - Px \rangle) \leq \lambda^2 \|z - Px\|^2 \\ &\implies \operatorname{Re}(\langle x - Px, z - Px \rangle) \leq \lambda \|z - Px\|^2 \quad \text{for all } \lambda \in (0, 1) \\ &\xrightarrow{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \operatorname{Re}(\langle x - Px, z - Px \rangle) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- $\forall x, y \in X$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(\langle x - Px, Py - Px \rangle) &\leq 0 \quad \text{by (ii) as } Py \in A \\ \operatorname{Re}(\langle y - Py, Px - Py \rangle) &\leq 0 \\ \implies -\operatorname{Re}(\langle Px, Py - Px \rangle) &\leq -\operatorname{Re}(\langle x, Py - Px \rangle) \\ \operatorname{Re}(\langle Py, Py - Px \rangle) &\leq \operatorname{Re}(\langle y, Py - Px \rangle) \\ \text{Add both inequalities} &\implies \operatorname{Re}(\langle Py - Px, Py - Px \rangle) \leq \operatorname{Re}(\langle y - x, Py - Px \rangle) \\ \implies 0 \leq \|Py - Px\|^2 &= \operatorname{Re}(\langle Py - Px, Py - Px \rangle) \leq \operatorname{Re}(\langle y - x, Py - Px \rangle) \\ \|Py - Px\|^2 &\leq \operatorname{Re}(\langle y - x, Py - Px \rangle) \leq |\langle y - x, Py - Px \rangle| \stackrel{\text{CSE}}{\leq} \|y - x\| \cdot \|Py - Px\| \\ \implies \|Py - Px\| &\leq \|y - x\| \quad \text{if } \|Py - Px\| \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

If $\|Py - Px\| = 0$, then this is trivially fulfilled. □

Let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be an inner product space, $M \subseteq X$ a subset. We put $M^\perp := \{x \in X \mid \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \forall y \in M\}$.

Theorem 2.3.5 (orthonormal projections onto linear subspaces)

Let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a Hilbert space and $V \subseteq X$ a closed linear subspace ($\implies V \neq \emptyset, V$ convex). Let $P = P_V$ be the projection from the previous theorem. Then

- (i) $\forall x \in X : Px \in V$ is the unique point s.t. $x - Px \in V^\perp$.
- (ii) P is linear, $N(P) = \ker(P) = V^\perp$, $R(P) = V$ and $X = V \oplus V^\perp$ is the corresponding direct sum decomposition.

Proof: (i)

Uniqueness: Let $y \in V$ be s.t. $x - y \in V^\perp$. Hence to show: $y = Px$.

$$\begin{aligned} \forall v \in V : \|x - v\|^2 &= \|\underbrace{(x - y)}_{\in V^\perp} + \underbrace{(y - v)}_{\in V}\|^2 \stackrel{\text{as above}}{\geq} \|x - y\|^2 \\ \implies \|x - y\| &= \inf_{v \in V} \|x - v\| \implies y = Px \end{aligned}$$

$x - Px \in V^\perp$: $\forall v \in V : z = v + Px \in V \implies \operatorname{Re}(\langle x - Px, v \rangle) = \operatorname{Re}(\langle x - Px, z - Px \rangle) \leq 0$. This also holds for $-v \in V$ instead of v . Hence $\operatorname{Re}(\langle x - Px, v \rangle) = 0$ for all $v \in V$.

If $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$, then $\langle x - Px, v \rangle = 0$ for all $v \in V$ implies $x - Px \in V^\perp$.

If $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$, then $\forall v \in V : iv \in V \implies 0 = \operatorname{Re}(\langle x - Px, iv \rangle) = \operatorname{Re}(-i, \langle x - Px, v \rangle) = \operatorname{Im}(\langle x - Px, v \rangle)$. Therefore $\langle x - Px, v \rangle = 0$ for all $v \in V$ and hence $x - Px \in V^\perp$. □

- (ii) $x \in X \stackrel{(1)}{\implies} x - Px \in V^\perp, Px \in V \implies x = \underbrace{(x - Px)}_{\in V^\perp} + \underbrace{Px}_{\in V} \implies X = V + V^\perp$. Is this a direct decomposition?

$$\begin{aligned} v \in V \cap V^\perp &\implies \|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle = 0 \implies v = 0 \\ \implies X &= V \oplus V^\perp \quad \text{and } P \text{ is the projection onto } V \text{ w.r.t. this decomposition} \\ \implies P &\text{ linear and } N(P) = R(id_X - P) = V^\perp \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 2.3.6

If $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is a Hilbert space, then every closed linear subspace V has a closed complement (namely V^\perp).

2.4 The Riesz Representation Theorem

General considerations: If $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is a normed space, then $X' := \mathcal{L}(X, \mathbb{K})$ is called the *dual space* to X . $(X', \|\cdot\|_{X'})$, where $\|\cdot\|_{X'} := \|\cdot\|_{X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}}$ is a Banach space.

Lemma 2.4.1

If $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is an inner product space, then

$$\forall y \in X : \begin{cases} J_y : X \rightarrow \mathbb{K} \\ x \mapsto \langle x, y \rangle \end{cases} \text{ is an element of } X'$$

The map $J : X \rightarrow X', y \mapsto J_y = J(y)$ is norm-preserving and antilinear, i.e.

$$\forall y, z \in X : J(y+z) = J(y) + J(z) \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{K} \forall y \in X : J(\lambda y) = \bar{\lambda} \cdot J(y)$$

Proof: $\forall y \in X : J_y$ linear is clear.

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in X : |J_y(x)| &= |\langle x, y \rangle| \stackrel{\text{CSE}}{\leq} \|x\| \cdot \|y\| \implies J_y \in X', \|J_y\|_{X'} \leq \|y\|_X \\ y = 0 &\implies J_y = 0 \implies \|J_y\|_{X'} = 0 = \|y\|_X \\ y \neq 0 &\implies |J_y(y)| = |\langle y, y \rangle| = \|y\|^2 \implies \|J_y\|_{X'} = \|y\|_X \end{aligned}$$

Hence J is norm-preserving. J is antilinear by properties of $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. □

Theorem 2.4.2 (Riesz Representation Theorem)

Let $H = (X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a Hilbert space. Then $J : X \rightarrow X'$ is a norm-preserving, antilinear bijection, i.e.

$$\forall \varphi \in X' \exists! y \in X : \varphi(x) = \langle x, y \rangle \quad \text{for all } x \in X$$

Every element $l \in H'$ can be uniquely represented via the scalar product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_H$.

Proof: J injective, norm-preserving, antilinear by the lemma. Remains surjectivity: Let $\varphi = 0$, then take $y = 0$. If $\varphi \neq 0$: $\ker(\varphi) = \varphi^{-1}(0) \subsetneq X$ is a closed proper subspace. Hence $X = \ker(\varphi) \oplus (\ker \varphi)^\perp \implies (\ker \varphi)^\perp \neq \{0\}$. Hence $\exists z \in (\ker \varphi)^\perp \setminus \{0\}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in X : \varphi \left(x - \frac{\varphi(x)}{\varphi(z)} z \right) &= \varphi(x) - \frac{\varphi(x)}{\varphi(z)} \varphi(z) = 0 \\ \implies x - \frac{\varphi(x)}{\varphi(z)} z &\in \ker \varphi \implies \left\langle x - \frac{\varphi(x)}{\varphi(z)} z, z \right\rangle = 0 \\ \implies \langle x, z \rangle &= \left\langle \frac{\varphi(x)}{\varphi(z)} z, z \right\rangle = \frac{\varphi(x)}{\varphi(z)} \|z\|^2 \\ \implies \varphi(x) &= \left\langle x, \frac{\overline{\varphi(z)}}{\|z\|^2} z \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

So we can put $y = \frac{\overline{\varphi(z)}}{\|z\|^2} z$. □

We also have an existence and uniqueness result. It provides existence and uniqueness of solutions for certain partial differential equations. However, there are many other representations of H' . In fact, often other representations are more important.

Example 2.4.3 (i) For $a \in \mathbb{R}$ we define the Hilbert space

$$L_a^2(\mathbb{R}^d) = \{u : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid u \text{ measurable, } \rho^a u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)\}$$

where the weight ρ is given via $\rho(x) = \sqrt{1+|x|^2}$, $\|u\|_{L_a^2} := (\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\rho^a u|^2 dx)^{1/2}$. Note, that $K_a : L^2(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow L_a^2(\mathbb{R}^d), v \mapsto \rho^{-a} v$ is a linear norm-preserving mapping. The scalar product $\langle u, v \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \rho^{2a} uv dx$. What is the dual space $L_a^2(\mathbb{R}^d)'$? Of course $(L_a^2)' = \mathcal{L}(L_a^2, \mathbb{R})$. But we really want to know representations.

Remark (Representations) (i) Riesz: $(L_a^2)' \cong_i L_a^2 \quad \forall l \in L_a^2 \exists! v \in L_a^2 \forall u \in L_a^2 : l(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \rho^{2a} vu dx$.

- (ii) $(L_a^2)' \cong_{ii} L_{-a}^2 \quad \forall l \in L_a^2 \exists! w \in L_{-a}^2 \forall u \in L_a^2 : l(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \rho^0 w u \, dx$. Simply choose $w = \rho^{2a} v$.
- (iii) Generalization: $(L_a^2)' \cong_{iii} L_b^2$ for any b by choosing $c \in \mathbb{R}$ in the representation $l(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \rho^c z u \, dx$.

There are many representations, only two are special:

- Riesz representation using the H scalar product
- use classical representation for distributions. $u \in L^1(\Omega) = Tu(\varphi) = \int_{\Omega} u \varphi \, dx$.

Example 2.4.4 (ii) Sobolev spaces $H_0^k(\Omega) = W_0^{k,2}(\Omega)$ Hilbert spaces. $H_0^k(\Omega) = \overline{C_c^\infty(\Omega)}^{\|\cdot\|_{H^k}}$. Representations of $(H_0^k(\Omega))' = \mathcal{L}(H_0^k(\Omega), \mathbb{R})$.

- (a) Riesz representation: $\forall l \exists! v \in H_0^k(\Omega) \forall u \in H_0^k(\Omega) : l(u) = \langle u, v \rangle_{H^k} = \int_{\Omega} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq k} D^\alpha u D^\alpha v \, dx$
- (b) Representation by distributions: $H^{-k}(\Omega) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{T : C_c^\infty(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \exists C \forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\Omega) : |T(\varphi)| \leq C \|\varphi\|_{H^k}\}$. $\|T\|_{H^{-k}} = \sup_{\varphi \neq 0} \frac{|T(\varphi)|}{\|\varphi\|_{H^k}}$. This gives a representation of $H_0^k(\Omega)' = \mathcal{L}(H_0^k(\Omega), \mathbb{R})$ via the distributional representation. Recall that $C_c^\infty(\Omega)$ is dense in $H_0^k(\Omega)$, hence every T in $H^{-k}(\Omega)$ has a unique continuous extension $T : H_0^k(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

(iii) $H_0^1(\cdot - 1, 1])$ ($\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^1$ one dimension).

$$\delta_0 : \begin{cases} C_c^\infty(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ \varphi \mapsto \varphi(0) \end{cases}$$

Claim: $\delta_0 \in H^{-1}(\cdot - 1, 1])$ to show $\exists C > 0 \forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\cdot - 1, 1]) : |\delta_0(\varphi)| \leq C \|\varphi\|_{H^1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(0) &= \int_{-1}^0 \varphi'(x) \, dx \quad \text{where we use } \varphi(-1) = 0 \\ |\varphi(0)| &\leq \int_{-1}^0 1 \cdot |\varphi'(x)| \, dx \leq \left(\int_{-1}^0 1^2 \, dx \right)^{1/2} \left(\int_{-1}^0 |\varphi'(x)|^2 \, dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq 1 \cdot \left(\int_{-1}^0 |\varphi'(x)|^2 \, dx \right)^{1/2} \leq 1 \cdot \|\varphi\|_{H^1} \end{aligned}$$

" $\delta_0 \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ " if we use the distributional representation. " $\delta_0 \notin H_0^1(\Omega)$ " if we use Riesz representation.

Riesz representation theorem can be generalized as follows

Theorem 2.4.5 (Lax-Milgram Lemma, 1957)

Let H be a Hilbert space of \mathbb{K} and $a : H \times H \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$ sesquilinear form such that there exist constants $0 < c \leq C < \infty$ with

- (i) Continuity $|a(x, y)| \leq C \|x\| \|y\|$ for all $x, y \in H$.
- (ii) Coercivity $|a(x, x)| \geq c \|x\|^2$ for all $x \in H$.

Then for all $l \in H'$ there exists a unique u in H such that $a(x, u) = l(x)$ for all x . Moreover the mapping $K : H' \rightarrow H, l \mapsto u$ is antilinear and invertible satisfying

$$\|K\|_{H' \rightarrow H} \leq \frac{1}{c} \quad , \quad \|K^{-1}\|_{H \rightarrow H'} \leq C$$

Remark Taking $a(x, y) = \langle x, y \rangle_H$ the theorem is reduced to the Riesz representation and $c = C = 1$.

Note that a is not assumed to be symmetric, i.e. $a(x, y) \neq \overline{a(y, x)}$ is allowed.

Proof: (similar to Riesz' theorem)

Step 1 For $u \in H$ fixed, the mapping $l_u : x \mapsto a(x, u)$ satisfies $|a(x, u)| \stackrel{(i)}{\leq} C \|u\| \|x\|$. Hence $l_u \in H'$ and Riesz representation yields a unique $v = Au$ such that $a(x, u) = l_u(x) = \langle x, v \rangle$ for all $x \in H$. The mapping $A : H \rightarrow H, u \mapsto v$ is linear and

$$\|Au\| = \|v\| = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{|\langle v, x \rangle|}{\|x\|} = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{|a(x, u)|}{\|x\|} \stackrel{(i)}{\leq} C \|u\|$$

Hence $A \in \mathcal{L}(H, H) =: \mathcal{L}(H)$.

Step 2 *Aim:* Show that A is invertible. We have

$$c\|x\|^2 \leq |a(x, x)| = |\langle x, Ax \rangle| \stackrel{\text{CSE}}{\leq} \|x\| \|Ax\|$$

$$(*) \quad \forall x \in X : \|Ax\| \geq c\|x\|$$

This implies $N(A) = \ker A = \{0\}$ and hence A is injective. We need to show that A is also surjective. For the range $R(A) = \{Ax \mid x \in H\}$ is in fact closed, since $y_k \in R(A)$ and $y_k \rightarrow y$. Then $y_k = Ax_k$ for some x_k .

$$\|x_k - x_m\| \stackrel{(*)}{\leq} \frac{1}{c} \|A(x_k - x_m)\| = \frac{1}{c} \|y_k - y_m\| \rightarrow 0$$

Using $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ we conclude $x_k \rightarrow x \implies y_k = Ax_k \rightarrow Ax = y$. Hence $y \in R(A)$. Thus $R(A)$ is closed. In order to produce a contradiction we assume $R(A) \subsetneq H$. Take $P \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ to be the uniquely defined orthogonal projection with $R(P) = R(A)$. Choose $x_0 \in H \setminus R(A)$ then $x_1 = x_0 - Px_0$ satisfies $x_1 \neq 0$ and $Px_1 = 0$. Hence x_1 is in the orthogonal complement of $R(A)$, i.e. $\langle x_1, y \rangle = 0$ for all $y = Ax$ with $x \in H$. However

$$c\|x_1\|^2 \stackrel{(ii)}{\leq} |a(x_1, x_1)| = |\langle x_1, Ax_1 \rangle| = 0 \implies x_1 = 0 \quad \text{contradiction!}$$

We conclude $R(A) = H$. Hence $A : H \rightarrow H$ is bijective. By $(*)$ we know $\|A^{-1}u\| \leq \frac{1}{c}\|u\|$

Step 3 $K : H' \rightarrow H$ is the composition of $J : H' \rightarrow H$ Riesz mapping and A^{-1} , i.e. $K = A^{-1}J$ and hence all properties of K follow. \square

2.5 Elliptic partial differential equations

ellipticity means coercivity of a quadratic form.

$$\text{Laplace equation } (*) \begin{cases} -\Delta u + u = f & \text{in } \Omega & \text{PDE} \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega & \text{BC (boundary condition)} \end{cases}$$

PDE for the unknown $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

classical solution $u \in \mathcal{C}^2(\Omega) \cap \mathcal{C}^0(\overline{\Omega})$ PDE and BC are satisfied everywhere

strong solution $u \in H^2(\Omega) = W^{2,2}(\Omega), f \in L^2(\Omega)$ PDE is satisfied in $L^2(\Omega)$, BC are imposed by $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$

For the *weak solution* $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ we only ask for $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$. The second derivatives are taken in the distributional sense, namely in $H^{-1}(\Omega)$. We test the equation $(*)$ by a test function $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\Omega)$.

$$\int_{\Omega} f\varphi \, dx = \int_{\Omega} (-\Delta u + u)\varphi \, dx = \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{(-\operatorname{div}(\nabla u))}_{L^2(\Omega)} + u \varphi \, dx \stackrel{\substack{\text{Div. Theorem} \\ \text{Gau\ss}}}{\text{Integr. by parts}} \int_{\Omega} (\nabla u \cdot \nabla \varphi + u\varphi) \, dx = \langle u, \varphi \rangle_{H^1}$$

where $-\Delta u + u = f$ in $H^{-1}(\Omega)$ is defined as

$$\int_{\Omega} f\varphi \, dx = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla \varphi + u\varphi \, dx \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$$

Here we use density of $\mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\Omega)$ in $H_0^1(\Omega)$. The weak form $(*)$ is the following problem. Given $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ find $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ such that

$$\langle u, \varphi \rangle_{H_0^1(\Omega)} = \int_{\Omega} f\varphi \, dx \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$$

The concept of weak solutions is compatible with the concept of strong or classical solutions. If a weak solution is smoother than needed for a weak solution, then it is also a strong solution.

Proof: Assume $u \in H^2(\Omega)$ is a weak solution. Then, we have to show that u is a strong solution. We know

$$\int_{\Omega} f\varphi \, dx = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla \varphi + u\varphi \, dx \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\Omega)$$

\square

For distributional derivatives we know $D^\alpha(T_u) = T_{D^\alpha u}$ if $u \in H^2(\Omega)$ and $|\alpha| \leq 2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \implies \int_{\Omega} f \varphi \, dx &= \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{(-\Delta u + u)}_{\in L^2(\Omega)} \varphi \, dx \\ \implies 0 &= \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{(-\Delta u + u - f)}_{\in L^2(\Omega)} \varphi \, dx \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\Omega) \xrightarrow{\text{dense}} L^2(\Omega) \\ \implies -\Delta u + u &= f \quad \text{in } L^2(\Omega) \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 2.5.1

For each $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ the problem (*) has a unique weak solution.

Proof: $l : \varphi \mapsto \int_{\Omega} f \varphi \, dx$ is a continuous linear mapping on $H_0^1(\Omega)$.

$$|l(\varphi)| \leq \|f\|_{L^2} \|\varphi\|_{L^2} \leq \|f\|_{L^2} \|\varphi\|_{H^1}$$

Riesz representation theorem (2.4.2) gives a unique $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ s.t.

$$\langle u, \varphi \rangle_{H^1} = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla \varphi + u \varphi \, dx = l(\varphi) = \int_{\Omega} f \varphi \, dx \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad \square$$

Example 2.5.2 $\Omega =]-1, 1[$, $-u'' + u = \delta_0 \in H^{-1}(]-1, 1[)$, $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$. There is no strong solution but there is a unique weak solution:

$$\int_{-1}^1 u' \varphi' + u \varphi \, dx = \delta_0(\varphi) = \varphi(0)$$

The solution is given by $u(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha \sinh(x+1) \\ \alpha \sinh(1-x) \end{cases}$. $u'(0^-) - u'(0^+) = +1 \implies \alpha = \frac{1}{\cosh(1)}$.

We look at more general linear PDEs in the form

$$(**) \quad \begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(A(x)\nabla u) + b(x) \cdot \nabla u + c(x)u = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

A function $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ is called a weak solution of (**) if it satisfies

$$\int_{\Omega} (A(x)\nabla u) \cdot \nabla \varphi + (b(x)\nabla u + c(x)u) \varphi \, dx = \int_{\Omega} f \varphi \, dx \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$$

We define the bilinear form

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} (A(x)\nabla u) \cdot \nabla v + (b \cdot \nabla u)v + cuv \, dx$$

$a : H_0^1(\Omega) \times H_0^1(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ must be a bilinear form with (i) boundedness \implies continuity, (ii) coercivity.

$$A \in L^\infty(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}) \quad b \in L^\infty(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^d) \quad c \in L^\infty(\Omega)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} |a(u, v)| &\leq \int_{\Omega} |A| |\nabla u| |\nabla v| + |b| |\nabla u| |v| + |c| |u| |v| \, dx \\ &\leq \|A\|_\infty \|\nabla\|_{L^2} \|\nabla v\|_{L^2} + \|b\|_\infty \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|v\|_2 + \|c\|_\infty \|u\|_2 \|v\|_2 \\ &\leq \underbrace{(\|A\|_\infty + \|b\|_\infty + \|c\|_\infty)}_{=:C} \|u\|_{H^1} \|v\|_{H^1} \end{aligned}$$

For coercivity, we have to bound $a(u, u)$ from below.

$$a(u, u) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot A(x)\nabla u + ub(x) \cdot \nabla u + cu^2 \, dx$$

We assume

- (i) $\exists \alpha_{\text{ell}} > 0 \forall x \in \Omega \forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^d : \xi \cdot A(x)\xi \geq \alpha_{\text{ell}}|\xi|^2$
- (ii) $c(x) \geq \gamma > 0$ for all $x \in \Omega$
- (iii) $|b(x)| \leq (\alpha_{\text{ell}}\gamma)^{1/2}$ for all $x \in \Omega$.

Hence we find

$$\begin{aligned} a(u, u) &\geq \int_{\Omega} \alpha_{\text{ell}} |\nabla u|^2 - |b| |\nabla u| u + \gamma u^2 dx & xy \leq \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}y^2 \\ |b| |\nabla u| u &\leq \sqrt{\alpha_{\text{ell}}\gamma} |\nabla u| |u| \leq \frac{1}{2}\alpha_{\text{ell}} |\nabla u|^2 + \frac{1}{2}\gamma u^2 \\ a(u, u) &\geq \int_{\Omega} \alpha_{\text{ell}} |\nabla u|^2 - \frac{1}{2}\alpha_{\text{ell}} |\nabla u|^2 - \frac{\gamma}{2}u^2 + \gamma u^2 dx \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \frac{\alpha_{\text{ell}}}{2} |\nabla u|^2 + \frac{\gamma}{2}u^2 dx \geq \frac{\min\{\alpha_{\text{ell}}, \gamma\}}{2} \|u\|_{H^1}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.5.3 (Existence and uniqueness for "simple elliptic" PDEs)

If A, b and c satisfy the above assumptions, then $(**)$ has a unique weak solution $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ for every $f \in H^{-1}(\Omega)$.

Remark In many applications c is not uniformly positive. In fact, quite often one has $c \equiv 0$ and $b \equiv 0$. In fact, using that $u = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$ sometimes we can estimate $\int u^2 dx$ in terms of $\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 dx$.

Theorem 2.5.4 (Poincaré inequality)

Assume that Ω is bounded, then there exists a constant C_{Ω} such that

$$\forall n \in H_0^1(\Omega) : \int_{\Omega} u^2 dx \leq C_{\Omega} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 dx \quad \text{Poincaré's estimate}$$

Corollary 2.5.5

If Ω satisfies the Poincaré estimate, then the two norms $\|u\|_{H^1}$ and $\|\nabla u\|_{L^2}$ are equivalent, i.e.

$$\exists c_{\Omega} > 0 : c_{\Omega} \|u\|_{H^1} \leq \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \leq 1 \cdot \|u\|_{H^1}$$

for all $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$

Proof:

$$\|u\|_{H^1}^2 = \|u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 \leq (1 + C_{\Omega}) \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 \implies c_{\Omega} = (1 + C_{\Omega})^{-1/2}$$

Corollary 2.5.6

If Ω satisfies the Poincaré estimate, then $-\text{div}(A(x)\nabla u) = f$ in Ω , $u = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$ has a unique weak solution $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ (A and f are as above).

Proof: $a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla v \cdot A(x)\nabla u$ is a bounded bilinear form on $H_0^1(\Omega)$.

$$a(u, u) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot A\nabla u dx \geq \int_{\Omega} \alpha_{\text{ell}} |\nabla u|^2 dx = \alpha_{\text{ell}} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 \geq \alpha_{\text{ell}} c_{\Omega} \|u\|_{H_0^1}^2 \implies \text{coercivity} \quad \square$$

Proof: (of Poincaré inequality) It suffices to show the estimate on the dense set Ω is bounded implies $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\Omega \subset]a, b[\times \mathbb{R}^{d-1} = \Sigma$. Every $\varphi \in C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)$ can be extended by 0 to a function $\varphi \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ where $\varphi|_{\partial\Sigma} = 0$. For $x \in \Sigma$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(x) &= \int_a^{x_1} \partial_{x_1} \varphi(\xi_1, x_2, \dots, x_d) d\xi_1 \quad \text{since } \varphi(a, x_2, \dots, x_d) = 0 \\ |\varphi(x)|^2 &\leq \left| \int_{\Omega} 1 \cdots d\xi \right|^2 \leq \underbrace{\left(\int_a^{x_1} 1^2 d\xi_1 \right)}_{\leq b-a} \left(\int_1^{x_1} |\partial_{x_1} \varphi|^2 d\xi_1 \right) \\ \int_a^b |\varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)|^2 dx_1 &\leq (b-a) \int_a^b \int_a^{x_1} |\partial_{x_1} \varphi(\xi_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)|^2 d\xi_1 dx_1 \\ &\leq (b-a) \int_a^b \int_a^b |\partial_{x_1} \varphi|^2 d\xi_1 dx_1 \\ &= (b-a)^2 \int_a^b |\partial_{x_1} \varphi(x)|^2 dx_1 \end{aligned}$$

Now integrate over $(x_2, \dots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1}$ to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} |\varphi|^2 dx &= \int_{\Sigma} \varphi^2 dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d-1}} \int_a^b \varphi^2 dx_1 d(x_2, \dots, x_d) \\ &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d-1}} (b-a)^2 \int_a^b |\partial_{x_1} \varphi|^2 dx_1 d(x_2, \dots, x_d) \\ &= (b-a)^2 \|\partial_{x_1} \varphi\|_{L^2}^2 \leq (b-a) \|\nabla \varphi\|_{L^2}^2 \end{aligned}$$

3 Dual spaces and weak topologies

$(X, \|\cdot\|)$ normed space

$$X' := \mathcal{L}(X, \mathbb{K}) \quad \text{with } \mathcal{L} = \text{linear and continuous}$$

is called the *topological dual* (the algebraic dual contains all linear functionals, also the non-continuous ones). X' is always a Banach space if it is equipped with the operator norm

$$\|\ell\|_{X'} = \sup \left\{ \frac{|\ell(x)|}{\|x\|} \mid x \in X \setminus \{0\} \right\}$$

The elements in X' are simply called linear functionals on X .

Duality questions:

- Does X' characterize X uniquely?
- Can we use X' to study properties of X ?
- Linear functionals define hyperplanes $H = \{x \in X \mid \ell(x) + \alpha = 0 \text{ for } \ell \in X' \text{ and } \alpha \in \mathbb{R}\}$. (\leftrightarrow Geometry, \leftrightarrow separation into two parts.)
- Is there for each $x \in X$ at least one $\ell \in X'$ such that $\ell(x) \neq 0$?
- Can we extend continuous linear mappings from subspaces to the whole space?

Example • $X = \ell_{\infty} =$ bounded sequences. $Y \subset X, Y = \{(a_n) \mid a_n \text{ is periodic}\}$. (a_n) periodic iff $\exists N : a_{n+N} = a_n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. $\ell : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mapsto \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N a_n$. What is a continuous extension of this "average" to all sequences?

- $X = L^{\infty}([0, 1]), Y = C^0([0, 1]) \subset X. \ell : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \mapsto f(\frac{1}{2})$.

3.1 Hahn-Banach theorem

Another name is the *extension principle of Hahn and Banach*. It states the existence of a suitable extension from a subspace to the full space. The general version relies on the *Axiom of Choice* (existence result). An equivalent "axiom" is *Zorn's Lemma* (transfinite induction, well-ordering theorem).

Lemma 3.1.1 (Zorn's Lemma)

Let M be a partially ordered set with order \leq such that every chain (=totally ordered subset) has an upper bound. Then there exists at least one maximum element.

Definition 3.1.2

- (M, \leq) is a partially ordered set if
 - (P.i) $\forall m : m \leq m$
 - (P.ii) $\forall m_1, m_2, m_3 : (m_1 \leq m_2 \wedge m_2 \leq m_3) \implies m_1 \leq m_3$
 - (P.iii) $\forall m_1, m_2 : (m_1 \leq m_2 \wedge m_2 \leq m_1) \implies m_1 = m_2$
- m is called upper bound of $S \subset M$ if $\forall s \in S : s \leq m$.
- $C \subset M$ is called a chain if $\forall m_1, m_2 \in C : \text{either } m_1 \leq m_2 \text{ or } m_2 \leq m_1$
- m_* is called a maximal element if there does not exist any $m \in M$ such that $m \neq m_*$ and $m_* \leq m$.

We apply this to sets of linear mappings from subspaces Y of X into \mathbb{R} . The ordering will be by "extension"

$$\ell_1 : Y_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \ell_2 : Y_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{we say } \ell_1 \leq \ell_2 \quad \text{if } Y_1 \subset Y_2 \quad \text{and } \ell_2|_{Y_1} = \ell_1$$

This means ℓ_2 is an *extension* of ℓ_1 . A maximal element in terms of extension is a mapping that cannot be extended further.

Theorem 3.1.3 (of Hahn (1926) and Banach(1929))

- Let X be a real vector space (no norm needed).
- A sublinear function $p : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, i.e.
 - (i) $p(\alpha x) = \alpha p(x)$ for all $\alpha \geq 0, x \in X$
 - (ii) $p(x + y) \leq p(x) + p(y)$ for all $x, y \in X$.
- Y subspace and $f : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is linear with bound $f(y) \leq p(y)$ for all $y \in Y$

Then, there exists a linear extension $\ell : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (i.e. $\ell(y) = f(y)$ for $y \in Y$) such that

$$\ell(x) \leq p(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in X$$

Proof: We apply Zorn's Lemma using the following set

$$M := \{G : Y_G \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid Y \subset Y_G, G|_Y = f, Y_G \text{ subspace of } X, G(y) \leq p(y) \text{ for all } y \in Y_G, G \text{ linear}\}$$

We use the partial order defined via extension. We have to show that each chain has an upper bound. Let $C = \{G_\alpha : Y_\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}$. We define $\tilde{Y} = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} Y_\alpha$ and $\tilde{G} : \tilde{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \tilde{G}(y) = G_\alpha(y)$ if $y \in Y_\alpha$. This is well-defined, since for every $\beta \in \mathcal{A}$ with $y \in Y_\beta$ we have $G_\alpha(y) = G_\beta(y)$ since either G_α is an extension of G_β or vice versa. By construction \tilde{G} is an extension for all $G_\alpha, \alpha \in \mathcal{A}$. Hence \tilde{G} is an upper bound.

Hence Zorn's lemma provides a maximal element $\ell : Y_\ell \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, which means that ℓ cannot be extended non-trivially. This is certainly the case if $Y_\ell = X$, and this is the last point we have to show. We argue by contradiction. If $Y_\ell \neq X$, we construct a non-trivial extension.

Assume $Y_\ell \neq X$, i.e. $z \in X \setminus Y_\ell$. We look for a linear extension on $\hat{Y} = Y_\ell \oplus \text{span}\{z\} \supseteq Y_\ell$ in the form

$$\hat{\ell}(y + \lambda z) = \ell(y) + c\lambda \quad \text{for a suitable } c \in \mathbb{R} \text{ to be chosen}$$

\hat{Y} is a subspace of X and $\hat{\ell}$ is linear. We have to find $c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\hat{\ell}(y + \lambda z) \leq p(y + \lambda z)$ for all $y \in Y_\ell, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$. We choose c such that

$$S_* = \sup\{\ell(y) - p(y - z) \mid y \in Y_\ell\} \leq c \leq I_* := \inf\{p(\tilde{y} + z) - \ell(\tilde{y}) \mid \tilde{y} \in Y\}$$

such a c exists if and only if $S_* \leq I_*$

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(y) + \ell(\tilde{y}) &\stackrel{\ell \text{ linear}}{=} \ell(y + \tilde{y}) \stackrel{\ell \in M}{\leq} p(y + \tilde{y}) \quad (0 = z - z) \\ &= p(y - z + \tilde{y} + z) \\ &\stackrel{p \text{ sub-linear}}{\leq} p(y - z) + p(\tilde{y} + z) \quad \text{for all } y, \tilde{y} \in Y_\ell \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } \ell(y) - p(y - z) &\leq p(\tilde{y} + z) - \ell(\tilde{y}) \quad \text{for all } y, \tilde{y} \in Y_\ell \\ \implies S_* &\leq I_* \end{aligned}$$

We now show $\hat{\ell}(y + \lambda z) = \ell(y) + \lambda c \leq p(y + \lambda z)$. For $\lambda = 0$ this is clear as $\ell \in M$. For $\lambda > 0$

$$p(y + \lambda z) - \hat{\ell}(y + \lambda z) = \lambda(p(\frac{1}{\lambda}y + z) - \ell(\frac{1}{\lambda}y) - c) \geq \lambda(I_* - c) \geq 0$$

The case $\lambda < 0$ is analogous using S_* . □

A Banach space version reads as follows

Proposition 3.1.4

$(X, \|\cdot\|)$ Banach space, $Y \subset X$ subspace $f : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous (i.e. $|f(y)| \leq C\|y\|$). Then, there exists an $\ell \in X' = \mathcal{L}(X, \mathbb{R})$ such that $\ell|_Y = f$ and

$$\|\ell\|_{X'} = \sup \left\{ \frac{|f(y)|}{\|y\|} \mid y \in Y \setminus \{0\} \right\} =: N$$

(Short: There always exists an extension with the same norm.)

Proof: We define $p : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, x \mapsto N\|x\|$ which is sub-linear and

$$|f(y)| \leq N\|y\| = p(y) \quad \text{for all } y \in Y$$

Hahn-Banach gives the extension ℓ with $\ell(x) \leq p(x)$ for all x . Hence $\ell(x) \leq p(x) = N\|x\|$ and

$$\ell(x) = -\ell(-x) \geq -p(-x) = -N\|x\|$$

Hence $|\ell(x)| \leq N\|x\|$. □

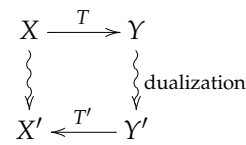
Corollary 3.1.5

X Banach and $x \in X \setminus \{0\}$. Then there exists $\ell \in X'$ such that $\ell(x) = \|x\|$ and $\|\ell\|_{X'} = 1$.

Proof: Choose $Y = \text{span}\{x\}$ and $f(\alpha x) = \alpha\|x\|$. Then, $f : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is linear and $\sup \left\{ \frac{|f(y)|}{\|y\|} \mid y \in Y \setminus \{0\} \right\} = 1$.
By the above proposition (version of Hahn-Banach) there exists an extension ℓ with norm 1. □

For mappings between Banach spaces we define the *adjoint mapping* as to the right with $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$. We define the adjoint $T' \in \mathcal{L}(Y', X')$ as follows :

$$(T'y')(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} y'(Tx) \quad \text{for } y' \in Y', x \in X$$



Lemma 3.1.6

If X and Y are Banach spaces, then for each $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ we have $\|T'\|_{\mathcal{L}(Y', X')} = \|T\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)}$

Proof: For all $y' \in Y'$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|T'y'\|_{X'} &\stackrel{\text{by def}}{=} \sup_{\text{of norm in } X'} \frac{|(T'y')(x)|}{\|x\|} \stackrel{\text{def of } T'}{=} \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{|y'(Tx)|}{\|x\|} \\ &\stackrel{\text{by def}}{\leq} \sup_{\text{of norm in } Y'} \frac{\|y'\|_{Y'} \|Tx\|_Y}{\|x\|} \leq \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|y'\|_{Y'} \|T\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)} \|x\|_X}{\|x\|} \\ &= \|T\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)} \|y'\|_{Y'} \implies T' \in \mathcal{L}(Y', X') \quad \text{and} \quad \|T'\|_{\mathcal{L}(Y', X')} \leq \|T\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)} \end{aligned}$$

For the opposite inequality choose x_n with $\|x_n\| = 1$ and $\|Tx_n\|_Y \rightarrow \|T\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)}$. The corollary of the HBP provides an element $y'_n \in Y'$ such that $\|y'_n\|_{Y'} = 1$ and $y'_n(Tx_n) = \|Tx_n\|_Y$. We can estimate $\|T'\|_{\mathcal{L}(Y', X')}$ from below by inserting one element in the corresponding sup $\frac{\|T'y'\|}{\|y'\|}$

$$\|T'\|_{\mathcal{L}(Y', X')} \stackrel{\|y'_n\|=1}{\geq} \|T'y'_n\|_{X'} \stackrel{\|x_n\|=1}{\geq} |(T'y'_n)(x_n)| \stackrel{\text{def of } T'}{=} |y'_n(Tx_n)| \stackrel{\text{by constr.}}{=} \|Tx_n\|_Y \xrightarrow{\text{by constr.}} \|T\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)}$$

Hence $\|T'\|_{\mathcal{L}(Y', X')} \geq \|T\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)}$ □

The geometric versions of the HBP are the so-called separation theorems. We want to separate disjoint convex sets by hyperplanes.

Warning: A, B convex and disjoint is not sufficient for existence of a separation hyperplane (only valid in finite dimensions).

Theorem 3.1.7 (Geometric form of HBP)

$(X, \|\cdot\|)$ normed space. A, B are convex subsets. $A \cap B = \emptyset$, A is open. Then there exists an $\ell \in X'$ and a constant $c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\ell(a) < c \quad \text{for all } a \in A \quad \text{and} \quad \ell(b) \geq c \quad \text{for all } b \in B.$$

I.e. the hyperplane $H = \{x \in X \mid \ell(x) = c\}$ separates A and B .

Proof:

Step 1: We assume that $B = \{x_0\}$. Wlog we assume $0 \in A$ (otherwise do a translation (\implies affine)). Since A is open, there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $B_\varepsilon(0) \subset A$. We define the Minkowsky functional for the set A :

$$p_A(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \inf\{r > 0 \mid \frac{1}{r}x \in A\}$$

Claim: p_A is sub-linear. $p_A(\alpha x) = \alpha p_A(x)$ follows from the definition. $p_A(x+y) \leq p_A(x) + p_A(y)$ by convexity of A .

For $x_0 \in B$ we obtain $p_A(x_0) \geq 1$, since $x_0 \notin A$. We define a linear functional $f : \text{span}\{x_0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ via $f(\alpha x_0) = \alpha p_A(x_0)$. This f is dominated by p_A on $\text{span}\{x_0\}$.

$$f(\alpha x_0) = \alpha p_A(x_0) = \begin{cases} p_A(\alpha x_0) & \text{if } \alpha \geq 0 \\ \underbrace{-p_A(-\alpha x_0)}_{\leq 0 \leq p_A(\alpha x_0)} & \text{if } \alpha < 0 \end{cases}$$

Hence the HBP can be applied and we find $\ell : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ linear such that

$$\ell(x) \leq p_A(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in X$$

Since $B_\varepsilon(0) \subset A$ we have $p_A(x) \leq 1$ for all $x \in B_\varepsilon(0)$. By scaling we find $p_A(x) \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \|x\|$ for all $x \in X$. Hence, $\ell(x) \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \|x\|$ and $\ell(x) = -\ell(-x) \geq -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \|x\|$ implies $\|\ell\|_{X'} \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$, i.e. $\ell \in X'$.

We still have to show that ℓ separates A and B . For $a \in A$ we have

$$\ell(a) \stackrel{\substack{\text{<still needed} \\ \text{by constr. of } \ell}}{\leq} p_A(a) \stackrel{\text{def. Mink.}}{\leq} 1 \leq p_A(x_0) \quad \text{as } x_0 \notin A.$$

Step 2: Now B is general again. To transfer to the first step we define

$$C \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A - B = \{a - b \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$$

Claim: $0 \notin C$, C is open and convex.

- (a) $0 \notin C$ since $A \cap B = \emptyset$.
- (b) $C = \bigcup_{b \in B} (A - b)$ open as arbitrary union of open sets.
- (c) straight forward

By Step 1 we can separate C from $\{0\}$ by a functional ℓ , i.e. $\forall x \in C : \ell(x) \leq \gamma \leq \ell(0) = 0$. Hence

$$\forall a \in A \forall b \in B : \ell(a - b) \leq 0$$

Define $c = \inf\{\ell(b) \mid b \in B\}$, then $\forall a \in A : \ell(a) \leq c$. We still need to show the *strict* estimate. We use again that A is open. Assume $\exists a_* \in A : \ell(a_*) = c$. Then $\exists \delta > 0 : B_\delta(a_*) \subset A$ (since A open). Hence, $\forall a \in B_\delta(a_*) : \ell(a) \leq c = \ell(a_*) \implies \ell(a - a_*) \leq 0$ for all $a \in B_\delta(a_*) \implies \ell = 0$ which is a contradiction to our assumption that ℓ is non-trivial. Hence, we have strict inequality. \square

3.2 Reflexivity and the bidual X''

$X' = \mathcal{L}(X, \mathbb{K})$ is a Banach space. The *bidual* is the dual of the dual $X'' = (X')'$ (topological duals). We can embed the space X in a natural way into X'' :

$$J_{\text{BD}} : \begin{cases} X \rightarrow X'' \\ x \mapsto \begin{cases} X' \rightarrow \mathbb{K} \\ \ell \mapsto \ell(x) \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

J_{BD} is called the *evaluation mapping*. We have to show $J_{\text{BD}}(x) \in X''$

$$|J_{\text{BD}}(x)(\ell)| \stackrel{\text{def. of } J}{=} |\ell(x)| \leq \|x\|_X \|\ell\|_{X'} \implies J_{\text{BD}}(x) \in X'' \quad \text{and} \quad \|J_{\text{BD}}(x)\|_{X''} \leq \|x\|_X$$

Obviously, $J_{\text{BD}} \in \mathcal{L}(X, X'')$ and moreover it is norm-preserving, i.e. $\|J_{\text{BD}}(x)\|_{X''} = \|x\|_X$. By Corollary of HBP for each $x \in X \exists \ell_x$ such that $\|\ell_x\|_{X'} = 1$ and $\ell_x(x) = \|x\|$. Now

$$\|J_{\text{BD}}(x)\|_{X''} \geq |J_{\text{BD}}(x)(\ell_x)| \stackrel{\text{def } J}{=} |\ell_x(x)| \stackrel{\text{by constr.}}{=} \|x\|$$

X'' contains a "copy of X ". In fact, $J_{\text{BD}}(X)$ is a closed subspace of X'' .

Definition 3.2.1

A Banach space X is called reflexive, if $J_{BD} : X \rightarrow X''$ is surjective (i.e. it is a norm-preserving isomorphism).

Example 3.2.2

(i) All finite-dimensional Banach spaces are reflexive. $(\mathbb{R}^n)' = \mathbb{R}^n = (\mathbb{R}^n)''$.

(ii) All Hilbert spaces are reflexive, see below.

(iii) c_0, ℓ_1, ℓ_∞ are non-reflexive Banach spaces.

Exercise 37: $(c_0)' \cong \ell_1, (\ell_1)' \cong \ell_\infty, c_0 \subsetneq \ell_\infty = (c_0)''$.

Theorem 3.2.3

All Hilbert spaces are reflexive.

Proof: Idea: We use Riesz representation theorem: $H' \cong H$. Twice $(H')' \cong H' \cong H$.

For a given $x'' \in X''$ we have to construct $\hat{x} \in X$ such that $J_{BD}(\hat{x}) = x''$. Denote by $I_R : H \rightarrow H'$ the Riesz isom. and define $\tilde{x}'(y) = x''(I_R(y))$ for $y \in H$. Now set $\hat{x} = I_R^{-1}(\tilde{x}')$. Then $x''(I_R(y)) = \tilde{x}'(y) = I_R(y)(\hat{x})$ for all $y \in H$. I_R is surjective, hence $x''(\ell') = \ell'(\hat{x})$ for all $\ell' \in H'$. Hence, $x'' = J_{BD}(\hat{x})$. □

Theorem 3.2.4

(i) X, Y Banach spaces, $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ topol. isomorphism ($T^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(Y, X)$). Then, X reflexive $\iff Y$ reflexive.

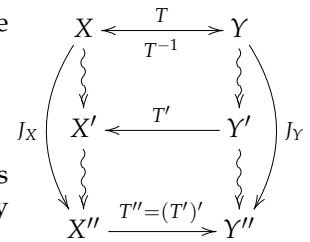
(ii) If X is reflexive, then every closed subspace $Z \subset X$ is reflexive as a Banach space with the same norm.

(iii) X is reflexive if and only if X'' is reflexive.

Proof: iii) is an exercise on sheet 11.

i) It suffices to show " \implies ", the other direction follows by exchanging X and Y . We know that T and J_X have continuous inverses. We simply check the identity

$$J_Y = T'' J_X T^{-1}$$



(straight forward by definitions). An exercise gave that T' has a continuous inverse, namely $(T^{-1})'$. Iterating gives T'' has a continuous inverse, namely $(T^{-1})''$. Hence, $J_Y^{-1} = T J_X^{-1} (T'')^{-1}$. In particular J_Y is surjective.

ii) X reflexive, $Z \subset X$ closed subspace. To show: $J_Z : Z \rightarrow Z''$ is surjective. This means $\forall z'' \exists z \in Z : J_Z(z) = z''$ for all $z' : z''(z') = z'(z)$. We have to bring in X'' . For $x' \in X'$ we consider $x'_{|Z} \in Z'$. Namely

$$\|x'_{|Z}\|_{Z'} = \sup\{|x'(z)| \mid \|z\| = 1\} \leq \sup\{|x'(x)| \mid \|x\| = 1\} = \|x'\|_{X'}$$

Hence Z and X have the same norm.

For $z'' \in Z''$ given we define

$$x'' : \begin{cases} X' \rightarrow \mathbb{K} \\ x' \mapsto z''(x'_{|Z}) \end{cases}$$

We have $x'' \in X''$ since

$$\begin{aligned} \|x''\|_{X''} &= \sup\{|x''(x')| \mid \|x'\|_{X'} = 1\} = \sup\{|z''(x'_{|Z})| \mid \|x'\|_{X'} = 1\} \\ &\leq \sup\{\|z''\|_{Z''} \underbrace{\|x'_{|Z}\|_{Z'}}_{\leq 1} \mid \|x'\|_{X'} = 1\} \leq \|z''\|_{Z''} \end{aligned}$$

Since X is reflexive, there exists $\hat{x} \in X$ with $J_X(\hat{x}) = x''$.

Claim 1 : $\hat{x} \in Z$. Take any $x' \in X'$ with $x'_{|Z} = 0$, then

$$x'(\hat{x}) \stackrel{\text{def of } \hat{x}}{=} J_X(\hat{x})(x') = x''(x') \stackrel{\text{constr. of } x''}{=} z''(x'_{|Z}) = 0$$

Now assume $\hat{x} \notin Z$ to produce a contradiction. Choose \tilde{x}' such that $\tilde{x}'_{|Z} = 0$ and choose $\tilde{x}'(\hat{x}) = 1$ (usage of Hahn-Banach) (see literature for C-version). This contradicts the above statement for general x' with $x'_{|Z} = 0$.

Claim 2: $J_Z(\hat{x}) = z''$. Take any $z' \in Z'$. We can extend it to $x' \in X'$, i.e. $x'|_Z = z'$. Then

$$z'(\hat{x}) = x'(\hat{x}) \stackrel{\text{def of } \hat{x}}{=} x''(x') \stackrel{\text{def } x''}{=} z''(x'|_Z) = \stackrel{\text{def } x'}{=} z''(z') \quad \text{for all } z' \implies z'' = J_Z(\hat{x})$$

iii) as exercise. □

Example 3.2.5 (i) Finite-dim. spaces are always reflexive.

(ii) Hilbert spaces are reflexive.

(iii) Later: ℓ^p sequences, $L^p(\Omega)$ Lebesgue spaces and $W^{k,p}(\Omega)$ Sobolev spaces are reflexive for $1 < p < \infty$

(iv) $C^0(\Omega), L^1(\Omega), L^\infty(\Omega), c_0, \ell^1, \ell^\infty$ are not reflexive

Lemma 3.2.6

If X is reflexive, then for all $x' \in X'$ there exists $x \in X$ such that $\|x\| = 1$ and $x'(x) = \|x'\|_{X'}$ (i.e. $\sup = \max$, there exists a maximum).

Proof: Using the corollary of Hahn-Banach, there exists $x'' \in X''$ with $\|x''\|_{X''} = 1$ and $x''(x') = \|x'\|_{X'}$. Since X is reflexive, there exists $x \in X$ such that $J_X(x) = x''$. Moreover

$$\|x\|_X = \|x''\|_{X''} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad x'(x) = x''(x') = \|x'\|_{X'} \quad \square$$

Proof: ($C^0(\Omega), L^1(\Omega), L^\infty(\Omega)$ are not reflexive) (i) Choose $X = C^0(\Omega), \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ domain. Define a norm-preserving embedding of $L^1(\Omega)$ in $C^0(\overline{\Omega})'$.

$$L^1(\Omega) \ni f \mapsto x'_f : \begin{cases} C^0(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ u \mapsto \int_\Omega f u \, dx \end{cases}$$

We have $|x'_f(u)| \leq \int |f| \|u\|_{L^\infty} \, dx \leq \|f\|_{L^1} \|u\|_X$. To show $\|x'_f\|_{X'} = \|f\|_{L^1}$ we choose $u_\varepsilon \in C^0(\Omega)$ with $\|u_\varepsilon\|_{C^0} \leq 1$ and $u_\varepsilon(x) \rightarrow \text{sign } f(x)$ (pointwise) for $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for example } C_c^\infty \ni f_\varepsilon \text{ in } L^1 \quad u_\varepsilon \frac{f_\varepsilon}{\sqrt{\varepsilon^2 + f_\varepsilon^2}} \\ x'_f(u_\varepsilon) = \int_\Omega f u_\varepsilon \, dx \xrightarrow[\text{convergence}]{\text{Dom.}} \int f \text{sign}(f) \, dx = \|f\|_{L^1} \end{aligned}$$

Now take an $f \in L^1(\Omega)$ such that $f(x) = 1$ for Ω_+ and $f(x) = -1$ for Ω_- . with $\Omega = \Omega_+ \cup \Omega_-, \Omega_+ \cap \Omega_- = \emptyset$ and $\mu(\Omega_+) > 0, \mu(\Omega_-) > 0$.

Claim: $\forall u \in X = C^0(\Omega)$ with $\|u\| = 1$ we have $|x'_f(u)| < \|f\|_{L^1} - \int_\Omega |f(x)| \, dx$. We have $x'_f(u) = \int f u \, dx$ with $|u(x)| \leq 1$ for all $x \in \Omega$.

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{L^1} - x'_f(u) &= \int \underbrace{|f(x)|}_{+1} - f(x) \underbrace{u(x)}_{|\cdot| \leq 1} \, dx \stackrel{?}{=} 0 \\ \implies f(x)u(x) &= +1 \quad \text{a.e. in } \Omega \\ \implies u(x) &= \pm 1 \quad \text{a.e. in } \Omega_\pm \quad \text{contradicts continuity} \\ \implies X &= C^0(\Omega) \quad \text{cannot be reflexive} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) $C^0(\Omega)$ is a closed subspace of $L^\infty(\Omega)$. Hence $L^\infty(\Omega)$ is not reflexive.

(iii) Exercise: $L^\infty \cong L^1(\Omega)' \implies L^1(\Omega)$ is not reflexive. Otherwise $L^\infty(\Omega)$ would be reflexive. □

3.3 Uniformly convex Banach spaces

Definition 3.3.1

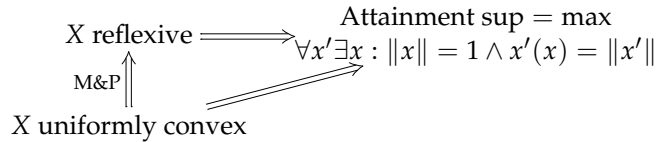
$(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is called uniformly convex if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 : x, y \in \overline{B_1(0)} \quad \text{and} \quad \|x - y\| > \varepsilon \implies \|\tfrac{1}{2}(x + y)\| < 1 - \delta$$

Theorem 3.3.2 (Milman and Patis)

Uniformly convex Banach spaces are reflexive.

Proof: (idea) (for full proof, see standard literature)



Lemma 3.3.3

If X is uniformly convex Banach space, then

$$\forall x' \in X' \exists x \in X : \|x\| = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad x'(x) = \|x'\|_{X'}$$

Moreover, if $x' \neq 0$, then for all sequences $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $\|x_n\| = 1$ and $x'(x_n) \rightarrow \|x'\|_{X'}$ we have $x_n \rightarrow x_*$ with $x'(x_*) = \|x'\|_{X'}$ and $\|x_*\| = 1$. In particular this $x = x_*$ is unique. (strict convexity gives uniqueness)

Proof: For $x' = 0$ the result is trivial (take any x with $\|x\| = 1$). Consider $x' \neq 0$ and any sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_n\|_X = 1 \quad x'(x_n) &\rightarrow \sup\{x'(x) \mid x \in X, \|x\| \leq 1\} = \|x'\|_{X'} \\
 \|\underbrace{\tfrac{1}{2}(x_n + x_m)}_{\in B_1(0)}\| &\geq \frac{1}{\|x'\|} \underbrace{|x'(\tfrac{1}{2}(x_n + x_m))|}_{\rightarrow \|x'\|} \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{for } n, m \rightarrow \infty
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists n_0(\delta(\varepsilon)) \forall n, m \geq n_0(\delta) : \|x_n - x_m\| \leq \varepsilon$$

$$\implies (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ is a CS and } x_n \rightarrow x_*$$

$$\implies 1 = \|x_n\| \rightarrow \|x_*\| \quad \text{and} \quad x'(x_n) \rightarrow x'(x_*) = \|x'\| \implies \text{Existence}$$

Uniqueness follows since every such sequence is converging. □

Example 3.3.4 (i) All Hilbert spaces are uniformly convex. Parallelogram identity:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\tfrac{1}{2}(x + y)\|^2 + \underbrace{\|\tfrac{1}{2}(x - y)\|^2}_{\varepsilon^2/4} &= \underbrace{\tfrac{1}{2}(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2)}_{\leq 1} \\
 \|\tfrac{1}{2}(x + y)\|^2 &< 1 - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4} \\
 \|\tfrac{1}{2}(x + y)\| &< (1 - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4})^{1/2} = 1 - \delta(\varepsilon)
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) For $p \in]1, \infty[$ all L^p -space are uniformly convex. We consider $L^p(\Omega)$ for $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ and $p \geq 2$.

$$\text{Clarkson's estimate} \quad f, g \in L^p(\Omega) : \|f + g\|_p^p + \|f - g\|_p^p \leq 2^{p-1}(\|f\|_p^p + \|g\|_p^p)$$

In \mathbb{R}^2 we have

$$|a + b|^p + |a - b|^p \leq 2^{p-1}(|a|^p + |b|^p) \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

For $f, g \in L^p(\Omega)$ choose $a = f(x)$ and $b = g(x)$ and integrate the estimate over $x \in \Omega$. The result is Clarkson's estimate. Using Clarkson's estimate and $f, g \in B_1^{L^p(\Omega)}(0)$ we obtain

$$\|f + g\|_p^p \leq 2^{p-1}(1 + 1) - \|f - g\|_p^p \leq 2^p - \varepsilon^p \implies \|\tfrac{1}{2}(f + g)\|_p \leq (1 - (\frac{\varepsilon}{2})^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} = 1 - \delta(\varepsilon)$$

Corollary 3.3.5 (of Thm. Milman and Patis)

If $p \in]1, \infty[$, then $L^p(\Omega)$ and ℓ_p are reflexive. Moreover, setting $p' = \frac{p}{p-1}$ (the dual exponent to p) we have a norm-preserving isomorphism between $L^p(\Omega)'$ and $L^{p'}(\Omega)$ given by

$$R_p : \begin{cases} L^{p'}(\Omega) \rightarrow L^p(\Omega)' \\ g \mapsto \begin{cases} L^p(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ u \mapsto \int_{\Omega} gu \, dx \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

Proof: $p \geq 2$: $L^p(\Omega)$ is reflexive (by Clarkson and Milman-Pattis) and hence $L^p(\Omega)'$ is also reflexive. The mapping R as defined above is a bounded linear operator from $L^p(\Omega)$ into $L^p(\Omega)'$. By Hölder's estimate we have $\|R\|_{\mathcal{L}(L^p(\Omega), L^p(\Omega)')} \leq 1$.

Claim: R is norm-preserving, i.e. $\forall g \in L^p(\Omega) : \|R_p(g)\|_{L^p(\Omega)'} = \|g\|$. By Hölder we know " \leq ". We have to find a $u \in L^p(\Omega) \setminus \{0\}$ such that Hölder's estimate gives an equality $\int_{\Omega} g u \, dx = \|u\|_{L^p} \|g\|_{L^p}$.

$$\begin{aligned} u &= g^{\frac{p'}{p}} = |g|^{\frac{p'}{p}-1} g & \frac{p'}{p} &= \frac{p}{(p-1)p} = \frac{1}{p-1} \\ \int_{\Omega} u g \, dx &= \int_{\Omega} |g|^2 |g|^{\frac{p'}{p}-1} = \int_{\Omega} |g|^{\frac{p}{p-1}} \, dx = \|g\|_{L^p}^{p'} \\ \|u\|_{L^p} &= \int_{\Omega} \left| g^{\frac{p'}{p}} \right|^{p'} = \|g\|_{L^p}^{p'} \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\int_{\Omega} u g \, dx = \|g\|_{L^p}^{p'} = \|g\|_{L^p}^{\frac{p}{p-1}} = \|g\|_{L^p}^1 = \|u\|_{L^p} \|g\|_{L^p}$$

Hence $\|R_p(g)\|_{L^p} \geq \frac{|R_p(g)(u)|}{\|u\|_{L^p}} = \|g\|_{L^p}$. Since the embedding $R_p L^p(\Omega) \subset L^p(\Omega)'$ is norm-preserving, the image is a closed subspace of the reflexive dual space $L^p(\Omega)'$. Hence $R_p L^p(\Omega)$ is reflexive (Thm ii) and thus $L^p(\Omega)$ is reflexive (Thm i).

We now show that R_p is surjective. Assume $R_p L^p(\Omega) \subsetneq L^p(\Omega)'$. By Hahn-Banach there exists $x'' \in L^p(\Omega)''$ such that $x'' \neq 0$ and $x''(R_p(g)) = 0$ for all $g \in L^p(\Omega)$. Since $L^p(\Omega)$ is reflexive, there exists $f \in L^p(\Omega)$ such that

$$x'' = J_{L^p(\Omega)}(f) \quad \text{and} \quad f \neq 0$$

We have

$$0 = x''(R_p(g)) = R_p(g)(f) = \int_{\Omega} g f \, dx$$

Now choose $g = f^{\frac{p}{p'}}$ to obtain a contradiction.

Hence R_p is a norm isomorphism between $L^p(\Omega)$ and $L^p(\Omega)'$. Hence R_p gives a representation of $L^p(\Omega)'$. (Representation theorem of Riesz and Fischer.) Hence, the result is proven. \square

Corollary 3.3.6

For $p \in]1, \infty[$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$ the spaces $W^{k,p}(\Omega)$ and $W_0^{k,p}(\Omega)$ are reflexive.

Proof: by Exercise

3.4 The weak and the weak* topology

Again X is Banach space and X' its dual. $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ with the norm topology $\mathcal{T}_{\|\cdot\|}$.

Definition 3.4.1

(i) The weak topology \mathcal{T}_W on X is defined via the system of seminorms given by

$$\{|x'(\cdot)| \mid x' \in X'\}$$

A sequence $(x_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges weakly to x_* in X if for all $x' \in X'$ we have $x'(x_k) \rightarrow x'(x_*)$.

(ii) On the dual space X' we can define the weak topology \mathcal{T}_W as above using $\{|x''(\cdot)| \mid x'' \in X''\}$. Moreover, we define weak* topology \mathcal{T}_{W^*} to x'_* if $\forall \hat{x} \in X : x'_k(\hat{x}) \rightarrow x'_*(\hat{x})$

" $x_k \rightarrow x$ " means norm convergence

" $x_k \rightharpoonup x$ " means weak convergence

" $x_k \xrightarrow{*} x$ " means weak* convergence.

The two seminorms systems are Hausdorff (use Hahn-Banach).

Example 3.4.2 (i) Norm convergence implies convergence in X' . Weak convergence implies weak* convergence

(ii) In a reflexive dual space X' weak convergence and weak* convergence are the same (same topologies)

(iii) $\ell_2 = \{(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \sum a_n^2 < \infty\}$. $e_n = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots)$. $\|e_n - e_m\| = \sqrt{2}$ for $n \neq m$ That implies bounded sequences without accumulation point in the norm topology. Claim: $e_n \rightharpoonup 0$ By Riesz representation we know that all $x' \in \ell_2'$ have the form $\langle \cdot, b \rangle$. To show: $\langle e_n, b \rangle \rightarrow 0$ for all $b \in \ell_2$.

$$\langle e_n, b \rangle = b_n \quad \text{if } b = (b_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} b_m^2 < \infty$$

for all $b \in \ell_2$.

(iv) $X = c_0$, $X' = \ell_1$, $X'' = \ell_\infty$ $x'_k = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots) \in \ell_1$. $\|x'_k - x'_m\|_{\ell_1} = 2$ if $k \neq m$. Claim: $x'_k \xrightarrow{*} 0'$. To show: $\forall a \in c_0 : x'_k(a) \rightarrow 0'(a) = 0$. We have $x'_k(a) = \sum \delta_{km} a_m = a_k \rightarrow 0$.

$$x'(a) = \sum a_m b_m \quad \text{if } (b_m) \in \ell_1 \cong c_0'$$

for $a \in c_0$ fixed and $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Claim: x'_k does not converge in \mathcal{T}_W . We have to find $x'' \in X'' \cong \ell_\infty$ such that $x''(x'_k)$ does not converge. We have to find $(L_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} L_m \delta_{km} = L_k$ does not converge. Take $L_m = (-1)^m$ then $(L_m) \in \ell_\infty$ and no convergence.

(v) In the spaces $L^p(\Omega)$ with $p \in [1, \infty[$ we have $f_n \rightharpoonup g$ if $\forall h \in L^{p'}(\Omega) : \int_{\Omega} f_n h dx \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} g h dx$. (use R_p) For a sequence in $L^\infty(\Omega)$ we have $f_n \xrightarrow{*} g$ iff $\forall h \in L^{-1}(\Omega) : \int_{\Omega} f_n h dx \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} g h dx$.

Proposition 3.4.3

Closed convex sets in a Banach space are closed, i.e. $x_n \in A$ with A closed and convex and $x_n \rightharpoonup x_*$, then $x_* \in A$.

Example 3.4.4 $X = \ell_2$ and $M = \{a \mid \|a\|_{\ell_2} = 1\}$, then M is closed and bounded, but not weakly closed. $x_n = e_n = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots) \in M$. $e_n \rightharpoonup 0 = x_* \notin M$. The norm $\|\cdot\|_{\ell_2}$ is not weakly continuous.

Proof: Assume $x_* \notin A$. Then, we define $B = \{x_*\}$, that is compact and $B \cap A = \emptyset$. Now, the geometric form of the Hahn-Banach principle (separation theorem) provides $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x' \in X' : x'(x_*) > \alpha \geq x'(a)$ for all $a \in A$. However $x_n \rightharpoonup x_*$ implies

$$\underbrace{x'(x_n)}_{\in A} \xrightarrow{\leq \alpha} \underbrace{x'(x_*)}_{> \alpha} \quad \text{This is a contradiction.} \quad \square$$

Lemma 3.4.5

Let X be Banach space.

$$(i) \quad x_n \rightharpoonup x_* \implies \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|x_n\|_X < \infty$$

$$(ii) \quad x'_n \xrightarrow{*} x'_* \implies \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|x'_n\|_{X'} < \infty$$

Moreover $\|x_*\| \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k\|$ and $\|x'_*\|_{X'} \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x'_n\|_{X'}$. The norms are lower semi-continuous with respect to weak (weak*) convergence.

Proof:

Step 1: Consider case (ii): $x'_n \xrightarrow{*} x'_*$ means pointwise convergence of the operator family $\{x'_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. The uniform boundedness principle of Banach-Steinhaus gives $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|x'_n\| < \infty$.

Step 2: Consider (i). We use the embedding into the bidual X'' . $x''_n = J_X(x_n) \in X''$, $x_n \rightharpoonup x_* \iff x''_n \xrightarrow{*} x''_*$. Hence $\sup \|x''_n\|_{X''} < \infty$ by Step 1. Since J_X is norm-preserving, i.e. $\|x_n\|_X = \|x''_n\|_{X''}$, we have the result.

Step 3: $x_n \rightharpoonup x_* \iff \forall x' \in X' : x'(x_n) \rightarrow x'(x_*)$.

$$\begin{aligned} |x'(x_*)| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{|x'(x_n)|}_{\leq \|x'\| \|x_n\|} \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x'\|_{X'} \|x_n\|_X \\ |x'(x_*)| &\leq \|x'\|_{X'} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\| \end{aligned}$$

By Hahn-Banach, choose x with $\|x'\| = 1$ and $x'(x_*) = \|x_*\|$, then the result follows. The other case ($x' \xrightarrow{*} x'_*$) works similarly. \square

Theorem 3.4.6

An equivalent and often more useful criterion for weak convergence

$$x_n \rightharpoonup x_* \iff \begin{cases} (a) & \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|x_n\| < \infty \\ (b) & \exists D \subset X' \text{ with } \text{span } D \text{ is dense in } X': \forall y' \in D : y'(x_n) \rightarrow y'(x_*) \end{cases}$$

Proof: " \Rightarrow " (a) by Lemma and (b) holds with $D = X'$.

" \Leftarrow " Follows from the corollary of the Banach-Steinhaus theorem. Boundedness and convergence on a dense set imply pointwise convergence on all of X' . \square

Example 3.4.7 (Applications) (i) $X = L^2(]0, \pi[)$, $u_n \rightharpoonup u_*$ in $L^2(]0, \pi[)$

$$\iff \sup \int_0^\pi (u_n)^2 dx < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N} : \int_0^\pi u_n(x) \sin(kx) dx \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\pi u_*(x) \sin(kx) dx$$

Here $D = \{\sin(k \cdot) \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a countable set such that the span is dense.

(ii) $X = H_0^1(\Omega)$, $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ domain, $v_k \rightharpoonup v_*$ in $H_0^1(\Omega)$

$$\iff \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \int_\Omega v_k^2 + |\nabla v_k|^2 dx < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\Omega) : \int_\Omega v_k \varphi + \nabla v_k \cdot \nabla \varphi dx \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_\Omega v_* \varphi + \nabla v_* \cdot \nabla \varphi dx$$

Hence, it suffices to show $\sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|v_k\|_{H_0^1} < \infty$ and $v_k \rightarrow v_*$ in $L^1(\Omega)$.

Theorem 3.4.8 (Banach selection principle, 1932)

If X is a separable Banach space, then every bounded sequence in X' has a weak*-convergent subsequence.

Remark (i) Abstract version of Helly's selection principle ("one can select a converging subsequence")

(ii) Generalisation of Bolzano-Weierstraß

(iii) Existence result: There exists an accumulation point.

(iv) This is a result on sequential weak* compactness.

Theorem 3.4.9 (Weak* compactness Borbaki, 1938, Alaoglu 1940)

(More general but less useful version:)

For every Banach space X the closed unit ball in X' (i.e. $B' = \{x' \in X' \mid \|x'\|_{X'} \leq 1\}$) is weak* (covering-)compact. (In general (e.g. if $X = L^\infty(\Omega)$), B' is not sequentially weak*-compact.)

Proof: (of Banach's selection principle) Choose a countable set $D = \{z_m \mid m \in \mathbb{N}\}$ that is dense in X (use that X is separable). Let $(x'_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be any bounded sequence in X' . Using Cantor's diagonalisation principle we find a subsequence $(x'_{n_l})_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\forall m \in \mathbb{N} : x'_{n_l}(z_m) \rightarrow \alpha_m$. Now, the corollary of the Banach-Steinhaus principle (using that $(x'_{n_l})_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ is bounded in X') shows $x'_{n_l} \xrightarrow{*} x'_*$. \square

We want to get rid of separability and to make direct statements on the space X . For this reflexivity will be helpful. We need the following lemma:

Lemma 3.4.10

If the Banach space X has a separable dual, then X is separable. The opposite is wrong. $\ell_1 \cong c'_0$ are both separable, but $\ell_\infty = \ell'_1 = c''_0$ is not separable.

Proof: Let $D = \{x'_k \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a dense set in X' . For each $k \in \mathbb{N}$ choose $z_k \in X : |x'_k(z_k)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \|x'_k\|$ and $\|z_k\| = 1$. Let $Z = \overline{\text{span}\{z_k \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}}$. Then, Z is closed, separable subspace of X . (since $\{qz_k \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is dense and countable).

Claim: $Z = X$, then we are finished. Assume $Z \subsetneq X$ to produce a contradiction. By Hahn-Banach (3.1.3) we find $y' \in X'$ such that $y'|_Z = 0$ and $y' \neq 0$. We use that y' can be approximated by $x'_{k_l} \in D$.

$$\begin{aligned} \|y' - x'_{k_l}\|_{X'} &\geq |(y' - x'_{k_l}) \underbrace{(z_k)}_{\|\cdot\|=1}| = |\underbrace{y'(z_k)}_{=0} - x'_{k_l}(z_k)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \|x_k\| \\ &\stackrel{\text{triangle}}{\geq} \frac{1}{2} (\|y'\| - \|y' - x'_{k_l}\|) \\ &\stackrel{\text{estimate}}{\implies} \|y'\|_{X'} \leq 3 \|y' - x'_{k_l}\|_{X'} \end{aligned}$$

By density we obtain $\|y'\|_{X'} = 0$ which contradicts $y' \neq 0$. Hence the claim is true. \square

Theorem 3.4.11 (Kakutani 1939, Shmulyan 140, Eberlein 1947)

A Banach space is reflexive if and only if any bounded sequence has a weakly convergent subsequence.

Useful direction: reflexivity \implies selection principle. " \Leftarrow " is proven in classical textbooks on Linear Functional Analysis.

Proof: (Only " \implies ") We start with a reflexive space X and a bounded sequence $(x_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$. Define

$$Z := \overline{\text{span}\{x_k \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}}^X$$

then Z is a separable, closed subspace of X since $\{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_k x_k \mid q_k \in \mathbb{Q}, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is countable and dense in Z . $(Z, \|\cdot\|_X)$ is again a reflexive Banach space and that implies $Z'' = J_Z(Z)$ is a separable reflexive Banach space. The previous lemma gives us that Z' is separable as predual of Z'' . Consider $z''_k = J_Z(x_k) \in Z''$ as bounded sequence in Z'' . Hence $(z''_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a weak* convergent subsequence $z''_{k_l} \xrightarrow{*} z''_*$. Define $\tilde{z} := J_Z^{-1}(z''_*)$, then $x_{k_l} \rightarrow \tilde{z}$ in Z (use $z'(x_k) = J_Z(x_k)(z') = z''_k(z')$).

So $\forall z' \in Z' : z'(x_{k_l}) \rightarrow z'(\tilde{z})$. We need $\forall x' \in X' : x'(x_{k_l}) \rightarrow x'(\tilde{z})$. This holds since for any $x' \in X'$ the restriction we have $x'|_Z \in Z'$. Hence

$$x'(x_{k_l}) = x'|_Z(x_{k_l}) \rightarrow x'|_Z(\tilde{z}) = x'(\tilde{z}) \quad \square$$

Example 3.4.12

- (i) X Hilbert space, $L^p(\Omega)$, ℓ_p , $W^{k,p}(\Omega)$ (with $p \in]1, \infty[$) implies selection principle. Every bounded sequence has a weakly converging subsequence.
- (ii) Nothing similar for $C^0([0, 1])$.
- (iii) For $L^\infty(\Omega)$ we can apply Banach's selection principle, since $L^\infty(\Omega) = L^1(\Omega)'$ and $L^1(\Omega)$ is separable. For every bounded sequence in $L^\infty(\Omega)$ there exists a weakly* convergent subsequence.

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega = \mathbb{R} \quad f_n(x) &= \frac{\cos(\frac{n}{x^2})^2}{1+x^2} + \frac{e^x}{1+e^x} \arctan(n+x) \\ \|f_n\|_{L^\infty} &\leq \frac{1}{1} + 1 \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Claim: $\exists g \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}) : f_n \xrightarrow{*} g$. This means

$$\forall h \in L^1(\mathbb{R}) : \int_{\mathbb{R}} h(x) f_n(x) dx \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} h(x) g(x) dx$$

- (iv) $X = \ell_1 = \{(a_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| < \infty\}$, $x^{(n)} = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots)$. $(x^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ does not have a weakly convergent subsequence but it is bounded. Take any subsequence $(x^{(n_l)})_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ and choose $z' \in \ell'_1 = \ell_\infty$ as follows:

$$z' = (z_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \quad z_k = \begin{cases} (-1)^l & \text{if } k = n_l \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Hence $z'(x^{(n_l)}) = (-1)^l$ does not converge for $l \rightarrow \infty$.

However, Banach's selection principle applies, since $X = \ell_1 = c'_0$ and c_0 is separable. In fact, $x^{(n)} \xrightarrow{*} 0$.

Application of these compactness results in the calculus of variations: X Banach space. $I : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ nonlinear functional. Aim: find minimizers of I .

Weierstraß' extremal principle

A continuous function I on a compact set M attains its minimum, i.e. $\exists x_0 \in M \forall x \in M : I(x_0) \leq I(x)$

Theorem 3.4.13 (Generalised Weierstraß principle)

X reflexive Banach space, $I : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with

- (i) I is coercive, i.e. $I(x_n) \rightarrow \infty$ if $\|x_n\| \rightarrow \infty$,
- (ii) I is weakly lower semi-continuous, i.e. $x_k \rightharpoonup x_* \implies I(x_*) \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} I(x_k)$.

Then, there exists a minimizer x_0 .

Proof: We define $\alpha = \inf\{I(x) \mid x \in X\} \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty\}$. We have to find x_0 such that $I(x_0) \leq \alpha$. Choose $x_k \in X$ such that $I(x_k) \rightarrow \alpha$.

$$\begin{aligned} &\implies \sup\{\|x_k\| \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\} < \infty \quad \text{by (i)} \\ &\implies \exists \text{conv. subsequence } (x_{n_l})_{l \in \mathbb{N}} : x_{n_l} \rightharpoonup x_0 \in X \end{aligned}$$

Using weak* convergence (i.e. ii) we obtain $I(x_0) \leq \liminf_{l \rightarrow \infty} I(x_{n_l}) = \alpha$. □

Corollary 3.4.14

Let X be a reflexive Banach space, $I : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a norm-continuous, convex, and coercive. Then, I has a minimizer.

Proof: We have to show that norm-continuity and convexity imply weak lower semi-continuity (ii). For $\beta > \alpha = \inf\{I(x) \mid x \in X\}$ consider the sublevel

$$S_\beta = \{x \in X \mid I(x) \leq \beta\}$$

I continuous implies S_β is (norm-)closed. I convex implies that S_β is a convex subset of X . Now take any sequence x_k with $x_k \rightharpoonup x_*$. Define $\gamma = \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} I(x_k)$. There exists a subsequence (x_{k_l}) such that $x_{k_l} \rightharpoonup x_*$ and $I(x_{k_l}) \rightarrow \gamma$. For $\varepsilon > 0 \exists l_0 = l_0(\varepsilon) \forall l \geq l_0 : I(x_{k_l}) \leq \gamma + \varepsilon$. Hence $x_{k_l} \in S_{\gamma+\varepsilon}$. Lemma on weak closeness of convex sets implies $x_* \in S_{\gamma+\varepsilon} \implies I(x_*) \leq \gamma + \varepsilon \implies I(x_*) \leq \gamma = \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} I(x_k)$. □

4 Spectral theory

"Infinite dimensional version of eigenvalues and eigenvectors".

- Characterise the spectrum of a linear operator (= set of all eigenvalues)
- eigenvectors or generalisations
- invertibility of equations $(T - \lambda I)x = g$.

Throughout the whole section, X will be a Banach space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X) = \mathcal{L}(X, X)$.

4.1 Spectrum of an operator

- $N(T) = \text{kernel}(T) = \{x \in X \mid Tx = 0\}$
- $R(T) = \text{range}(T) = \{Tx \mid x \in X\}$

Definition 4.1.1

Resolvent set $\varrho(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid N(T - \lambda I) = \{0\}, R(T - \lambda I) = X\}$

Resolvent equation $(T - \lambda I)x = b$

Resolvent operator $(T - \lambda I)^{-1} : X \rightarrow X$ for $\lambda \in \varrho(T)$.

Spectrum of T $\sigma(T) = \mathbb{C} \setminus \varrho(T)$

Pointwise spectrum $\sigma_p(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid N(T - \lambda I) \neq \{0\}\}$, i.e. there exists an eigenvector for λ , $\exists x \neq 0 : Tx = \lambda x$

Continuous spectrum $\sigma_c(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid N(T - \lambda I) = \{0\}, R(T - \lambda I) \subsetneq X, \overline{R(T - \lambda I)} = X\}$

Residual spectrum $\sigma_r(T) = \sigma(T) \setminus (\sigma_p(T) \cup \sigma_c(T))$.

Spectral radius $r(T) = \sup\{|\lambda| \mid \lambda \in \sigma(T)\}$

$T - \lambda I \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. $\lambda \in \rho(T) \iff T - \lambda I$ bijective. Hence (by Inverse Mapping Principle) the resolvent operator $(T - \lambda I)^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(X)$.

Example 4.1.2 (i) $X = \mathbb{C}^n$ or \mathbb{R}^n finite dimensions. Then $T \in \mathbb{K}^{n \times n}$ matrix (see matrix theory).

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_p(T) &= \text{set of eigenvalues (at most } n) \\ \lambda \notin \sigma_p(T) &\implies (T - \lambda I)x = g \text{ uniquely solvable} \implies \lambda \in \rho(T) \end{aligned}$$

Only point spectrum $\sigma(T) = \sigma_p(T) \implies \sigma_c(T) = \sigma_r(T) = \emptyset$.

(ii) $X = \ell_2$. $Ta = (a_1, \frac{1}{2}a_2, \frac{1}{3}a_3, \dots, \frac{1}{k}a_k, \dots)$, $T = \text{diag}(1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots, \frac{1}{k}, \dots)$. The eigenpairs $(\frac{1}{k}, e_k)$, $\lambda = \frac{1}{k}$, $Te_k = \lambda e_k$. $\frac{1}{k} \in \sigma_p(T)$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Claims: $0 \in \sigma_c(T)$. Namely:

$$Ta = 0 \implies a = 0 \implies N(T - 0I) = N(T) = \{0\}$$

$R(T - 0I) = R(T) \subsetneq X$ since $Ta = (1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots) = a_* \in \ell_2$ has no solution $a \in \ell_2$ since $Ta = a_*$ gives $a_k = 1$. However $R(T)$ is dense in X since $D = \{(a_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \forall k \geq N, a_k = 0\}$ is dense in ℓ_2 and $D \subset R(T)$. Claim: $\sigma(T) = \sigma_p(T) \cup \sigma_c(T)$ with $\sigma_p(T) = \{\frac{1}{k} \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}$, $\sigma_c(T) = \{0\}$.

$\forall \lambda \notin \sigma(T)$ we show that $(T - \lambda I)a = b$ is uniquely solvable.

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{N} : (\frac{1}{k} - \lambda)a_k = b_k \implies a_k = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{k} - \lambda} b_k$$

For $\lambda \notin \sigma(T)$ we have $(\frac{1}{\frac{1}{k} - \lambda}) \in \ell_\infty$. Resolvent operator $a = (T - \lambda I)^{-1}b$, $\|(T - \lambda I)^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{L}(\ell_2, \ell_2)} = \sup \left| \frac{1}{\frac{1}{k} - \lambda} \right| < \infty$.

(iii) $X = C^0([-1, 1])$, $(Tu)(x) = u(-x)$ the reflection with $T^2 = I$.

$$Tu = \lambda u \implies u = T(Tu) = T(\lambda u) = \lambda Tu = \lambda^2 u \implies \sigma_p(T) \subset \{+1, -1\}$$

Claim: $\sigma(T) = \{+1, -1\} = \sigma_p(T)$. u even implies $Tu = u \implies$ infinite dim. eigenspace. u odd (e.g. $e(x) = x^{2m+1}$) implies $Tu = -u$ infinite dim. eigenspace again. Hence $\sigma_p(T) \supset \{+1, -1\}$. Now we calculate the resolvent:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Resolvent equation } Tu - \lambda u &= b \in C^0([-1, 1]) \\ \forall x \quad u(x) - \lambda u(-x) &= b(-x) \\ (u(-x) - \lambda u(x) &= b(x)) \\ u_\lambda &= (T - \lambda I)^{-1}b \\ u_\lambda &= \frac{1}{\lambda^2 - 1}(\lambda b(x) - b(-x)) \in C^0([-1, 1]) \quad \text{for } \lambda \notin \{-1, 1\} \\ \implies (T - \lambda I)^{-1} &\in \mathcal{L}(X) \quad \text{for } \lambda \notin \{-1, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

(iv) $X = L^2([-1, 1])$, $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ with $(Tu)(x) = xu(x)$. Note $\|Tu\|_{L^2} = (\int_{-1}^1 (xu(x))^2 dx)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \|u\|_{L^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Eigenpairs: } Tu = \lambda u &\implies xu(x) = \lambda u(x) \text{ a.e. in }]-1, 1[\\ \underbrace{(x - \lambda)}_{\neq 0 \text{ a.e.}} u(x) &= 0 \implies u = 0 \text{ a.e.} \implies \sigma_p(T) = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Resolvent equation } xu(x) - \lambda u(x) = b(x) \quad b \in L^2([-1, 1])$$

$$u(x) = \frac{1}{x - \lambda} b(x) \text{ a.e.}$$

Take $b \equiv 1$ and $\lambda = 0 \implies u(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ a.e. which is a contradiction to $u \in L^2(\Omega)$. Assume $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus [-1, 1]$. Then $x \mapsto \frac{1}{x - \lambda} \in C^0([-1, 1], \mathbb{C})$

$$\left\| \frac{1}{x - \lambda} \right\|_{L^\infty} = \frac{1}{\text{dist}(\lambda, [-1, 1])}$$

Then $\lambda \in \rho(T)$ and $\|(T - \lambda I)^{-1}\|_{L^2 \rightarrow L^2} \leq \left\| \frac{1}{x - \lambda} \right\|_{L^\infty}$ (Hölder estimate). Claim: $\sigma(T) = \sigma_c(T) = [-1, 1]$. It remains to show $R(T - \lambda I)$ is dense in $X = L^2([-1, 1])$ for all $\lambda \in [-1, 1]$.

$$(T - \lambda I)u(x) = (x - \lambda)u(x)$$

For $\lambda \in [-1, 1]$ we define $\chi_n \in L^\infty(-1, 1)$ such that

$$\chi_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } |x - \lambda| < \frac{1}{n} \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

For all $b \in L^2(\Omega)$ we have $\|b - \chi_n b\|_{L^2} \rightarrow 0$

$$\int \overbrace{|b - \chi_n b|^2}^{\rightarrow 0} dx \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{by Lebesgue dominance}$$

$|\cdot| \leq |b|^2$ majorant

Moreover $\forall b \in L^2(\Omega) : \chi_n b \in R(T - \lambda I)$

since for $u_n(x) = \underbrace{\frac{\chi_n(x)}{x - \lambda}}_{\in L^\infty(-1, 1)} b(x)$

$$\left\| \frac{\chi_n}{x - \lambda} \right\|_{L^\infty} \leq n$$

we have $(T - \lambda I)u_n = \chi_n b$. Hence $(T - \lambda)u_n$ approximates b in $L^2(\Omega)$

Proposition 4.1.3

Let X be a complex Banach space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$. Then, $\rho(T)$ is an open subset of \mathbb{C} and the resolvent operator $(T - \lambda I)^{-1}$ depends analytically on $\lambda \in \rho(T) \subset \mathbb{C}$. Moreover, the spectral radius $r(T) = \sup\{|\lambda| \mid \lambda \in \sigma(T)\} \leq \|T\|$. Hence, $\sigma(T)$ is a compact subset of \mathbb{C} .

Proof: $\mu \in \rho(T)$, $|\lambda - \mu|$ small implies that there exists a power series expansion. For $\mu \in \rho(T)$ we know $(T - \mu I)^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(X)$.

$$\begin{aligned} (T - \lambda I)u &= b \iff (T - \mu I)u + (\mu - \lambda)u = b \\ (T - \lambda I)u &= b \iff Iu + (\mu - \lambda)(I - \mu I)^{-1}u = (T - \mu I)^{-1}b \end{aligned}$$

Neumann series (Ex. 19)

$$\begin{aligned} u - Au &= \tilde{b} \quad \text{and} \quad \|A\| < 1 \\ \implies u &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} A^j \tilde{b} \quad \text{unique solution} \\ \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} A^j \right\| &\leq \sum \|A\|^j \leq \frac{1}{1 - \|A\|} \end{aligned}$$

For $|\lambda - \mu| \leq \frac{1}{\|(T - \mu I)^{-1}\|}$ we have $\|A\| < 1$ and hence $u = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} ((\lambda - \mu)(T - \mu I)^{-1})^j (T - \mu I)^{-1}b$ is the unique solution, i.e. $\lambda \in \rho(T)$. Estimate

$$\|(T - \lambda I)^{-1}\| \leq \frac{\|(T - \mu I)^{-1}\|}{1 - |\lambda - \mu| \|(T - \mu I)^{-1}\|} \implies \text{Analyticity of } \lambda \mapsto (T - \lambda I)^{-1} \text{ and openness of } \rho(T).$$

Still to be proved: $\sigma(T) \subset \overline{B}_{\|T\|}^{\mathbb{C}}(0)$.

$$\begin{aligned} (T - \lambda I)u &= b \quad \text{where} \quad |\lambda| > \|T\| \\ u - \underbrace{\frac{1}{\lambda} T}_{=: A} u &= -\frac{1}{\lambda} b \quad \text{with} \quad \|A\| = \frac{1}{|\lambda|} \|T\| < 1 \end{aligned}$$

Neumann series implies $(T - \lambda I)^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(X) \implies \lambda \in \rho(T)$. □

4.2 Compact operators

Definition 4.2.1

X, Y Banach spaces. An operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ is called compact, if for every bounded sequence in X its image has a (norm) convergent subsequence in Y . We shortly write $\mathcal{K}(X, Y)$ for the set of compact operators.

Remark (i) $T_1, T_2 \in \mathcal{K}(X, Y), \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{K} \implies \alpha_1 T_1 + \alpha_2 T_2 \in \mathcal{K}(X, Y)$. Take $(x_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ bounded in X and choose a subsequence $T_1 x_{k_l} \xrightarrow{Y} y_1, T_2 x_{k_l} \xrightarrow{Y} y_2$ for $l \rightarrow \infty$. Then $(\alpha_1 T_1 + \alpha_2 T_2)x_{k_l} \rightarrow \alpha_1 y_1 + \alpha_2 y_2$.

(ii) Composition of "continuous" and "compact" gives "compact". Let $T \in \mathcal{K}(X, Y), R \in \mathcal{L}(X_1, X), S \in \mathcal{L}(Y, Y_2)$. Then $TR \in \mathcal{K}(X_1, Y)$ and $ST \in \mathcal{K}(X, Y_2)$. For TR : Take a bounded sequence $(\tilde{x}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $X \implies (R\tilde{x}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is bounded in X . By compactness choose subsequence $\tilde{x}_{k_l}, (TR)\tilde{x}_{k_l} = T(R\tilde{x}_{k_l}) \rightarrow y$. Case ST is similarly.

Special case $X = Y$. $\mathcal{K}(X) \subset \mathcal{L}(X)$. $\mathcal{L}(X)$ is a Banach algebra = Banach space with continuous multiplication.

$$T_1, T_2 \in \mathcal{L}(X) \implies T_1 T_2 \in \mathcal{L}(X) \quad \|T_1 T_2\| \leq \|T_1\| \|T_2\| \implies \text{vector space and multiplication group}$$

$\mathcal{K}(X)$ is an ideal in $\mathcal{L}(X)$, hence $\forall K \in \mathcal{K}(X) \forall T \in \mathcal{L}(X) : TK, KT \in \mathcal{K}(X)$.

(iii) $\mathcal{K}(X, Y)$ is a closed subspace of the Banach space $(\mathcal{L}(X, Y), \|\cdot\|_{X \rightarrow Y})$. $T_n \in \mathcal{K}(X, Y)$ and $T_n \rightarrow T$ in $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$. To show: $T \in \mathcal{K}(X, Y)$. Take any bounded sequence $(x_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ in X . To construct: subsequence $(x_{k_l})_{l \in \mathbb{N}} : Tx_{k_l} \rightarrow y$. $(T_n x_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is countable number of sequences. Using Cantor's diagonal sequence we find the sequence $(x_{k_l})_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ such for all $n \in \mathbb{N} : T_n x_{k_l} \xrightarrow{Y} y_l$ for $l \rightarrow \infty$. We estimate

$$\|Tx_{k_{l_1}} - Tx_{k_{l_2}}\|_Y \leq \|Tx_{k_{l_1}} - T_n x_{k_{l_1}}\| + \underbrace{\|T_n x_{k_{l_1}} - T_n x_{k_{l_2}}\|}_{=:*} + \|T_n x_{k_{l_2}} - Tx_{k_{l_2}}\|$$

Using $\sup\{\|x_k\| \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\} \leq C_X < \infty$ we obtain

$$\|Tx_{k_{l_1}} - Tx_{k_{l_2}}\| \leq \|T - T_n\| C_X + \|T_n x_{k_{l_1}} - T_n x_{k_{l_2}}\| + \|T - T_n\| C_X$$

For given $\varepsilon > 0$ find $n_0(\varepsilon)$ such that $\|T - T_n\|_{X \rightarrow Y} C_X < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ and then choose $l_0 = l_0(\varepsilon, n_0(\varepsilon))$ such that $\forall l_1, l_2 \geq l_0 : * \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \implies (Tx_{k_l})_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

(iv) $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ is compact $\iff T' \in \mathcal{L}(Y', X')$ is compact (for proof see textbooks).

(v) If $\dim X < \infty$ or $\dim Y < \infty$ then $\mathcal{L}(X, Y) = \mathcal{K}(X, Y)$. For ex. if $\dim X < \infty$ then $I_X : X \rightarrow X$ is compact. For $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ we have $T = T \circ I_X$. In general, $\mathcal{K}(X, Y) \subsetneq \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$. If $X = Y$ and $\dim X = \infty$, then $\mathcal{K}(X) \subsetneq \mathcal{L}(X)$, namely $I_X \notin \mathcal{K}(X)$. This will be proved below. The tool to do so is the so-called "almost orthogonal vector".

Proposition 4.2.2

Let X be a Banach space and $Y \subsetneq X$ is a closed true subspace. Then for all $\theta \in]0, 1[$ there exists $x \in X \setminus Y$ with $\|x\| = 1$ and $\text{dist}(x, Y) \geq \theta$. (In Hilbert spaces orthogonal projections yield $\theta = 1$).

Proof: Choose $\tilde{x} \in X \setminus Y$, since Y is a true subspace. Then $\text{dist}(\tilde{x}, Y) = \inf\{\|\tilde{x} - y\| \mid y \in Y\} > 0$ (otherwise $\exists y_k \in Y : \|\tilde{x} - y_k\| \rightarrow 0 \implies \tilde{x} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} y_k$ and Y closed $\implies \tilde{x} \in Y$). Moreover, for our $\theta \in]0, 1[$ there exists $\tilde{y} \in Y : \|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}\| \leq \frac{\theta}{\text{dist}(\tilde{x}, Y)}$. Now define $x = \frac{\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}}{\|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}\|}$. For all $y \in Y$ we have the estimate

$$\|x - y\| = \left\| \frac{\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}}{\|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}\|} - y \right\| = \frac{1}{\|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}\|} \left\| \tilde{x} - \underbrace{(\tilde{y} + \|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}\|y)}_{\in Y} \right\| \geq \frac{\text{dist}(\tilde{x}, Y)}{\|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}\|} \geq \theta \quad \square$$

Corollary 4.2.3

If X is an infinite dimensional Banach space, then $I_X \notin \mathcal{K}(X)$.

Proof: We construct a bounded sequence $(x_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\|x_k - x_n\| \geq \frac{1}{2}$ for $k \neq n$. Then, there does not exist a convergent subsequence. We do this by induction: Choose x_1 arbitrary with $\|x_1\| = 1, Y_1 = \text{span}\{x_1\}$. Next choose x_2 with $\|x_2\| = 1$ and $\text{dist}(x_2, Y_1) \geq \frac{1}{2} \implies \|x_1 - x_2\| \geq \frac{1}{2}$. By induction x_{k+1} with $\|x_{k+1}\| = 1$ and $\text{dist}(x_{k+1}, Y_k) \geq \frac{1}{2}$ where $Y_k = \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_k\} \implies \|x_{k+1} - x_n\| \geq \frac{1}{2}$ for $n = 1, \dots, k$. We have an infinite sequence since for all k we have $X \setminus Y_k \neq \emptyset$. \square

Example 4.2.4 (of compact operators) (i) $T \in \mathbb{K}^{m \times n} = \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{K}^n, \mathbb{K}^m) = \mathcal{K}(\mathbb{K}^n, \mathbb{K}^m)$

(ii) Nuclear operators $y_k \in Y, x'_k \in X', c_k \in \mathbb{K}$ where $\|y_k\|_Y \leq 1, \|x'_k\|_{X'} \leq 1$ and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |c_k| < \infty$. Now define $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ via

$$Tx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k x'_k(x) y_k$$

Claim: $T \in \mathcal{K}(X, Y)$. $T_N x = \sum_{k=1}^N c_k x'_k(x) y_k \in \mathcal{K}(X, Y)$, $\text{rank}(T_N) \leq N$ since $R(T_N) = \text{span}\{y_1, \dots, y_N\} = Y_N$ finite dimensional closed subspace of Y . Claim: $T_N \rightarrow T$ in $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_N - T\|_{X \rightarrow Y} &= \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} \|T_N x - T x\|_Y \\ &= \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} \left\| \sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} c_k x'_k(x) y_k \right\|_Y \\ &\leq \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} \sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} |c_k| |x'_k(x)| \|y_k\|_Y \\ &\leq \sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} |c_k| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for } N \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Ex 45 $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ domain. For $K \in L^2(\Omega \times \Omega)$ define $T_K : L^2(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$ with $f \mapsto T_K f$ and

$$(T_K f)(x) = \int_{\Omega} K(x, y) f(y) dy \quad \text{integral operator}$$

Integral operators occur as inverse of differential operators. For example $\Omega = B_1(0) \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ and $K(x, y) = \frac{1-|x|^2}{4\pi|x-y|}$, $u = T f$ is the unique solution of the elliptic equation $-\nabla u = f$ in Ω and $u = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$.

(iv) Compact embeddings. Often one space X is embedded into another space via the natural embedding. $X = W_0^{1,p}([a, b]) \hookrightarrow Y = C^{\alpha_p}([a, b])$ (see Exam Ex. 4) with $\alpha_p = 1 - \frac{1}{p}$. C^{α} Hölder continuous functions.

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{C^{\alpha}} &= \|u\|_{L^{\infty}} + \sup_{\substack{x, y \in \Omega \\ x \neq y}} \frac{|u(x) - u(y)|}{|x - y|^{\alpha}} & u \in C_c^{\infty}([a, b]) \subset W_0^{1,p}([a, b]) \\ |u(x) - u(y)| &= \left| \int_x^y 1 |u'(\xi)| d\xi \right| \leq \underbrace{\int_x^y 1 d\xi}_{|x-y|^{1-\frac{1}{p}}} \|u'\|_{L^p} \end{aligned}$$

$\|u\|_{C^{\alpha}} \leq C \|u\|_{W^{1,p}}$. The embedding $E_1 : W_0^{1,p}([a, b]) \rightarrow C^{\alpha}([a, b])$, $u \mapsto u$ is continuous. Now consider $E_2 : C^{\alpha}([a, b]) \rightarrow C^0([a, b])$, $u \mapsto u$. $E_2 \in \mathcal{K}(C^{\alpha}([a, b]), C^0([a, b]))$. Arzela-Azcoli theorem: bounded in C^{α} implies equicontinuity \implies allows us to extract a uniformly convergent subsequence.

$$W_0^{1,p}([a, b]) \xrightarrow{\text{continuous}} C^{\alpha} \xrightarrow{\text{compact}} C^0 \xrightarrow{\text{continuous}} L^q(\Omega)$$

Theorem 4.2.5 (Rellich's compactness theorem)

The embedding of $H_0^1(\Omega)$ into $L^2(\Omega)$ is compact, if Ω is a bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^d .

Proof: Ω bounded implies $\exists R : \Omega \subset]-R, R[{}^d =: \Omega_R$. We embed H_0^1 into $H_0^1(\Omega_R)$ via extension by 0. Note

$$C_c^{\infty}(\Omega) \subset C_c^{\infty}(\Omega_R)$$

Now take a bounded sequence $(u_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $H_0^1(\Omega)$. Then the extensions $(\tilde{u}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \subset H_0^1(\Omega_R)$ are still bounded since $\|u_k\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)} = \|\tilde{u}_k\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}$. Hence, it suffices to proof the result for Ω_R rather than Ω .

We consider a complete ONS, namely $\varphi_n(x) = \prod_{j=1}^d \sin(\frac{\pi n_j}{R}(x_j + R))$ with $n \in \mathbb{N}^d$ and $\varphi_n(x) \in H_0^1(\Omega_R)$. $\langle \varphi_n, \varphi_m \rangle_{H^1} = c n \delta_{n,m}$. Our functions \tilde{u}_k can be uniquely written in this cONS

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{u}_k\|_{H^1}^2 &\stackrel{\text{Parseval}}{=} \sum |\mu_k^n|^2 \|\varphi_n\|_{H^1}^2 \\ \|\varphi_n\|_{L^2}^2 &= c_0 \quad \|\nabla \varphi_n\|_{L^2}^2 = \left(\frac{\pi}{R}\right)^2 |n|^2 c_0 \end{aligned}$$

Using $\|\tilde{u}_k\|_{H^1} \leq C$ we find

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^d} |\mu_k^n|^2 (1 + |n|^2) \leq \hat{C} \quad \text{for all } k$$

By Cantor's diagonal argument, we find a subsequence such that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^d : \mu_{k_l}^n \rightarrow \mu_*^n$ as $l \rightarrow \infty$.

Claim: $\|\tilde{u}_{k_l} - u_*\|_{L^2} \rightarrow 0$ where $u_* = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^d} \mu_*^n \varphi_n$. Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{u}_{k_l} - u_*\|_{L^2}^2 &\stackrel{\text{Parseval}}{=} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^d} |\mu_{k_l}^n - \mu_*^n|^2 c_0 (1 + 0) \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_{|n| \leq M} (\mu_{k_l}^n - \mu_*^n)^2 c_0}_{\xrightarrow{l \rightarrow \infty} 0} + \frac{1}{1 + M^2} \underbrace{\sum_{|n| > M} |\mu_{k_l}^n - \mu_*^n|^2 c_0 (1 + |n|^2)}_{\leq c_0 \hat{C} < \frac{\epsilon}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Hence the claim holds and the theorem as well. \square

The most important application is solving the elliptic problem $-\operatorname{div}(A(x)\nabla u) = f$ in Ω and $u = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$. Here $A \in L^\infty(\Omega, \mathbb{R}_{\text{Sym}}^{d \times d})$ and $A(x)\xi \cdot \xi \geq \alpha|\xi|^2$ (ellipticity). The Lax-Milgram Lemma shows that there is a bounded linear operator $\tilde{T} : L^2(\Omega) \rightarrow H_0^1(\Omega)$, $f \mapsto u$. $\tilde{T} \in \mathcal{L}(L^2(\Omega), H_0^1(\Omega))$ solution operator, $E : H_0^1(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$ embedding. We define $T = E\tilde{T} \in \mathcal{L}(L^2(\Omega))$. If Ω is a bounded domain, Rellich's compactness result yields $T \in \mathcal{K}(L^2(\Omega))$.

One is interested in the eigenfunctions of the Laplace operator

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta u &= \lambda u \quad \text{in } \Omega \\ u &= 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{aligned}$$

Applying T as solution operator $\iff u = \lambda T u$.

4.3 Spectral and Fredholm theory for compact operators

X Banach space, $T \in \mathcal{K}(X)$, compact operator, resolvent equation $(T - \lambda I)x = f$.

Proposition 4.3.1

$T \in \mathcal{K}(X)$ and $\lambda \neq 0$. Then $N(T - \lambda I) = \{0\}$ implies $(T - \lambda I)^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(X)$, i.e. $\lambda \in \rho(T)$. Hence $\lambda \neq 0 \implies$ either $\lambda \in \rho(T)$ or $\lambda \in \sigma_p(T)$. For $T \in \mathcal{K}(X)$ we have $\sigma(T) \subset \sigma_p(T) \cup \{0\}$.

Proof: To simplify notation, let $L = T - \lambda I$.

Step 1 Claim: $\exists c > 0 \forall x \in X : \|Lx\| \geq c\|x\|$. Proof by contradiction. If no such $c > 0$ exists, there exists

$(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} : \|x_n\| = 1$ and $\|Lx_n\| \rightarrow 0$. $T \in \mathcal{K}(X) \implies \exists$ subseq. $(x_{n_k}) \exists z : Tx_{n_k} \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} z$. We have the identity

$$x = \frac{1}{\lambda}(Tx - Lx) \quad \text{for } \lambda \neq 0 \text{ we obtain } x_{n_k} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \underbrace{(Tx_{n_k})}_{\rightarrow z} - \underbrace{Lx_{n_k}}_{\rightarrow 0} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda}(z - 0) = \frac{1}{\lambda}z$$

Hence $Lz = L \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda x_{n_k}) = \lambda \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} Lx_{n_k} = \lambda 0 = 0$. Using $N(L) = \{0\}$ we conclude $z = 0$. However

$$\|x\| = 1 \implies \frac{1}{|\lambda|} \|z\| = \lim \|x_{n_k}\| = 1 \quad \text{Contradiction!}$$

Thus, $\exists c > 0$ as desired.

Step 2 $\operatorname{Range}(L) = R(L)$ is closed. (Argument as in the proof of the Lax-Milgram Lemma (2.4.5)). Take a CS (y_n) in X with $y_n \in R(L)$. To show $y_* = \lim y_n \in R(L)$. Step 1 shows $L : X \rightarrow R(L)$ is injective. By the inverse mapping principle (2.2.7) $L^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(R(L), X)$. Define $x_n = L^{-1}y_n$, i.e. $Lx_n = y_n$, then

$$\|x_n - x_m\| \stackrel{\text{Step 1}}{\leq} \frac{1}{c} \|Lx_n - Lx_m\| = \frac{1}{c} \|y_n - y_m\| \rightarrow 0 \implies x_n \rightarrow x_* \quad \text{in } X$$

Since $L \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ we have $Lx_* = \lim Lx_n = \lim y_n = y_* \implies y_* \in R(L)$

Step 3 $R(L) = X$ (then $\lambda \in \rho(T)$). Proof by contradiction. Assume $R(L) =: X_1 \subsetneq X$. Define $X_0 = X$ and $X_{n+1} = LX_n = R(L^n)$. We obtain a decreasing sequence of subspaces $X = X_0 \supseteq X_1 \supseteq X_2 \supseteq \dots$. Applying Step 2 to $L|_{X_{k-1}}$ we obtain that all X_{k+1} are closed subspaces of X_k , since

$$L_k = L|_{X_k} = T|_{X_k} - \lambda I|_{X_k} \quad \text{with } T|_{X_k} \in \mathcal{K}(X_k)$$

Choose $x_0 \in X \setminus X_1 = X \setminus R(L)$. Then $x_n = L^n x_0$ satisfies $x_n \in X_n \setminus X_{n+1}$. Proof by contradiction:

$$x_n \in X_{n+1} \implies L^n x_0 \in X_{n+1} \stackrel{\text{by def}}{=} R(L^{n+1}) \implies \exists y \in X : L^n x_0 = L^{n+1} y \implies L^n x_0 - L y = 0$$

Using $N(L) = \{0\}$ we find $x_0 = Ly$. This contradicts $x_0 \notin X_1 = R(L)$. Hence, $X_{n+1} \subsetneq X_n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. Using the result on the existence of almost-orthogonal vectors, we find

$$y_n \in X_n \setminus X_{n+1} : \|y_n\| = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{dist}(y_n, X_{n+1}) \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

$(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a bounded sequence. For $m > n$, we have

$$Ty_n - Ty_m = Ly_n - Ly_m + \lambda(y_n - y_m) = \lambda \left(y_n - \underbrace{\left[y_m - \frac{1}{\lambda} L(y_n - y_m) \right]}_{\in X_{n+1}} \right)$$

By the choice of y_n , we have

$$\|Ty_n - Ty_m\| \geq |\lambda| \text{dist}(y_n, X_{n+1}) \geq \frac{|\lambda|}{2} > 0 \quad (\text{for } \lambda \neq 0)$$

Hence, there does not exist a convergent subsequence. Since T is compact and $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ bounded, this is a contradiction.

Hence $R(L) = X$. □

Theorem 4.3.2 (Spectral theorem for compact operators of Riesz-Schauder)

X Banach space, $T \in \mathcal{K}(X)$. Then

- (i) if $\dim(X) < \infty$, then $\sigma(T) = \sigma_p(T)$, if $\dim(X) = \infty$, then $\sigma(T) = \sigma_p(T) \cup \{0\}$
- (ii) $\sigma_p(T)$ consists of a countable number of $\{\lambda_k \mid k = 1, \dots, N\}$ where $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ such that $|\lambda_k| \rightarrow 0$ for $k \rightarrow \infty$ if $N = \infty$.

It turns out, that the resolvent operators $T - \lambda I \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ for $\lambda \neq 0$ have special properties, which are formulated in terms of the Fredholm theory:

Definition 4.3.3

Let X, Y be Banach spaces. An operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ is called a Fredholm operator, if

- (i) $R(T)$ is closed in Y
- (ii) $\dim N(T) < \infty$
- (iii) $\text{codim}(R(T)) < \infty$.

Then, the Fredholm index is defined via $\text{ind}(T) = \dim N(T) - \text{codim}(R(T))$. Here

$$\text{codim}_Y(Z) := \inf\{\dim W \mid Y = W + Z\} \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

Remark The Fredholm index is preserved under suitably small perturbations. Moreover, adding arbitrary large compact perturbations, the index does not change.

Example 4.3.4 (i) In linear algebra $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ with $\dim X < \infty$ and $\dim Y < \infty$.

$$\begin{aligned} \dim X &= \dim N(T) + \dim(R(T)) \\ \text{codim}(R(T)) &= \dim Y - \dim(R(T)) \\ \text{ind}(T) &= \dim(N(T)) - \text{codim}(R(T)) = \dim X - \dim(R(T)) - (\dim Y - \dim(R(T))) = \dim X - \dim Y \end{aligned}$$

If $X = Y$ we obtain for $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ that $\text{ind}(T) = 0$.

- (ii) $X = Y = \ell_2$ with shift operator. $T(a_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} = (a_2, a_3, a_4, \dots)$ (Ex 46). $N(T) = \text{span}\{e_1\}$, $R(T) = X$, $\dim N(T) = 1$, $\text{codim } R(T) = 0$, $\text{ind}(T) = +1$. $A \in \mathbb{K}^{n \times n}$, $Ax = f$.

Theorem 4.3.5 (Fredholm alternative)

Let X, Y be Banach spaces. If $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ is a Fredholm operator with $\text{ind}(T) = 0$, then

- either $N(T) = \{0\}$ and $Tx = f$ is uniquely solvable for all $f \in Y$ or

- $N(T) \supseteq \{0\}$, then $Tx = f$ is solvable if and only if $y'(f) = 0$ for all $y' \in N(T')$, where $\dim N(T') = \dim N(T)$.

Proof: Using $\text{ind}(T) = 0$, the case $N(T) = \{0\}$ gives $\text{codim}(R(T)) = 0$, i.e. $(R(T)) = Y$. This gives solvability. From $N(T) = \{0\}$ we have uniqueness. If $\dim N(T) \geq 1$, then $\text{codim}(R(T)) \geq 1$ i.e. $R(T) \subsetneq Y$. Hence, $Tx = f$ is not always solvable. For any $y' \in Y'$ we have

$$y' \in N(T') \iff T'y' = 0 \iff \forall x \in X : (T'y')(x) = 0 \stackrel{\text{Def of } T'}{\iff} \forall x \in X : y'(Tx) = 0 \stackrel{\text{Def } R(T)}{\iff} \forall f \in R(T) : y'(f) = 0$$

The relation $\dim N(T') = \dim N(T)$ follows easily since $\dim N(T) = \text{codim } R(T)$. (Use Hahn-Banach 3.1.3 to extend functionals.) \square

Theorem 4.3.6 (Riesz-Schauder)

Let X be a Banach space, $T \in \mathcal{K}(X)$, $\lambda \neq 0$. Then $T - \lambda I$ is a Fredholm operator with $\text{ind}(T - \lambda I) = 0$. This is equivalent to

$$\text{ind}(I - K) = 0$$

We can always reduce to the case $\lambda = 1$: $\lambda \neq 0$, $\text{ind}(\lambda L) = \text{ind}(L)$, $K \in \mathcal{K}(X) \implies \frac{1}{\lambda}K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$. $T - \lambda I = -\lambda(I - \frac{1}{\lambda}T)$.

4.4 Selfadjoint operators

Definition 4.4.1

For a Banach space X the adjoint of an operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ satisfies $T' \in \mathcal{L}(X')$. For a Hilbert space H we can use the Riesz' isomorphism (2.4.2) $J_R : H' \rightarrow H$ to define a Hilbert-space adjoint in $\mathcal{L}(H)$. More general, for two Hilbert spaces H_1 and H_2 and $T \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2)$, we define the Hilbert-space adjoint

$$T^* \in \mathcal{L}(H_2, H_1) \quad \text{for} \quad T \in \mathcal{L}(H_1, H_2) \quad \text{via} \quad \forall x \in H_1, \forall y \in H_2 : \underbrace{\langle Tx, y \rangle}_{\in H_2} = \langle x, T^*y \rangle_{H_1}$$

Using Riesz isomorphism we have

$$T^* = J_{H_2}^R T' (J_{H_1}^R)^{-1}$$

Definition 4.4.2

An operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ is called self-adjoint (symmetric) if $T^* = T$; i.e. $\forall x, y \in H : \langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle x, Ty \rangle$. Obviously, for self-adjoint T we always have $\langle Tx, x \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$ for all x .

Example 4.4.3 (i) $H = \mathbb{C}^n$, $T \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$, $T^* = T^H = \overline{T}^\top$

(ii) $T : L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{C})$, $u \mapsto gu$ with $g \in L^\infty(\Omega, \mathbb{C})$.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Tu, v \rangle_{L^2} &= \int_{\Omega} (Tu)\overline{v} \, dx = \int_{\Omega} gu\overline{v} \, dx \\ &= \int_{\Omega} u \cdot (g\overline{v}) \, dx = \int_{\Omega} u\overline{(T^*v)} \, dx = \langle u, T^*v \rangle \\ \implies T^*v &= \overline{g}v \end{aligned}$$

Hence $T^* = T$ iff $g(x) \in \mathbb{R}$ a.e.

(iii) Integral operator with kernel $K(x, y) \in L^2(\Omega \times \Omega)$

$$\begin{aligned} (Tu)(x) &= \int_{\Omega} K(x, y)u(y) \, dy \\ \langle Tu, v \rangle &= \int_{\Omega} (Tu)(x)\overline{v(x)} \, dx = \int_{\Omega} \int_{\Omega} K(x, y)u(y)\overline{v(x)} \, dx \\ &= \int_{y \in \Omega} u(y) \int_{\Omega} K(x, y)\overline{v(x)} \, dx \, dy = \langle u, T^*v \rangle \\ \implies (T^*v)(z) &= \int_{\Omega} \overline{K(y(z))}v(x) \, dx \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4.4.4

H Hilbert space, $T = T^* \in \mathcal{L}(H)$. Then

(i) $\sigma(T) \subset [-\|T\|, \|T\|] \subset \mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{C}$

(ii) Define $\gamma = \sup\{|\langle Tu, u \rangle| \mid \|u\| = 1\}$, then $\|T\| = \gamma$.

Proof: ad (i) : For $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ we consider $(T - \lambda I)x = f$. We take the scalar product $\langle \cdot, x \rangle$

$$\langle (T - \lambda I)x, x \rangle = \langle x, f \rangle \quad \underbrace{\langle Tx, x \rangle}_{\in \mathbb{R}} - \lambda \underbrace{\|x\|^2}_{\in \mathbb{R}} = \langle x, f \rangle$$

Taking the imaginary part yields

$$\begin{aligned} -(\operatorname{Im} \lambda)\|x\|^2 &= \operatorname{Im} \langle f, x \rangle \\ \lambda \notin \mathbb{R} \implies \|x\|^2 &= \frac{-1}{\operatorname{Im} \lambda} \langle f, x \rangle \stackrel{\text{CS}}{\leq_{\text{estim.}}} \frac{1}{|\operatorname{Im} \lambda|} \|x\| \|f\| \\ \implies \|(T - \lambda I)^{-1}\| &\leq \frac{1}{|\operatorname{Im} \lambda|} \quad \text{for } \lambda \notin \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

Using $\sigma(T) \subset \overline{B_{\|T\|}^{\mathbb{C}}(0)}$ we can conclude $\sigma(T) \subset [-\|T\|, \|T\|]$.

ad (ii) It is sufficient to study the quadratic form $u \mapsto \langle Tu, u \rangle$.

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma \leq \|T\| : \quad & |\langle Tu, u \rangle| \leq \|Tu\| \underbrace{\|u\|}_{=1} \stackrel{\text{def of}}{\leq} \operatorname{operator\ norm} \|T\| \|u\| = \|T\| \\ \gamma \geq \|T\| : \quad & \|T\| \stackrel{\text{Op.}}{=} \sup\{\|Tu\| \mid \|u\| \leq 1\} \\ & = \sup\{\langle Tu, v \rangle \mid \|u\|, \|v\| \leq 1\} \end{aligned}$$

Using $T^* = T$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Tu, v \rangle &= \frac{1}{4}(\langle T(u+v), u+v \rangle - \langle T(u-v), u-v \rangle) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4}(\gamma\|u+v\|^2 + \gamma\|u-v\|^2) \\ &\stackrel{\text{parallelogram}}{\stackrel{\text{identity}}{=}} \frac{\gamma}{4}(2\|u\|^2 + 2\|v\|^2) \\ &= \frac{\gamma}{4}(2 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1) = \gamma \end{aligned}$$

From $\langle Tu, v \rangle \leq \gamma$ for all $\|u\|, \|v\| \leq 1$ we obtain $\|T\| \leq \gamma$ as desired. □

For compact operators, we have even better properties, namely the existence of eigenpairs:

Proposition 4.4.5

H Hilbert space, $T = T^ \in \mathcal{K}(H)$ and $\gamma = \sup_{\|u\|=1} |\langle Tu, u \rangle|$. Then, there exists an eigenpair (λ_*, u_*) such that $Tu_* = \lambda_* u_*$, $\|u_*\| = 1$, $|\lambda_*| = \gamma$.*

The "sup" is a "max", attained for the maximal eigenvalue.

Proof: If $\gamma = 0$, then $T = 0$, then for every $u \in H$ we have the eigenpair $(0, u)$. Now assume $\gamma > 0$. Choose $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $\langle Tu_n, u_n \rangle \rightarrow \lambda_* \in \{-\gamma, \gamma\}$. Since T is compact,

$$\exists \text{ subseq. } (u_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \exists z \in H : Tu_{n_k} \rightarrow z \implies u_{n_k} \rightharpoonup u_*$$

We want to show $Tu_* = z$. We show $Tu_{n_k} \rightharpoonup Tu_*$. In fact

$$\forall x \in H : \langle Tu_{n_k}, x \rangle = \langle u_{n_k}, T^* x \rangle \rightarrow \langle u_*, T^* x \rangle = \langle Tu_*, x \rangle$$

Using $Tu_{n_k} \rightarrow z$ we conclude $u_* = z$ and hence $Tu_{n_k} \rightarrow Tu_* = z$.

$$\lambda_* \stackrel{\text{by construction}}{\leftarrow} \langle Tu_{n_k}, u_{n_k} \rangle \rightarrow \langle Tu_*, u_* \rangle$$

Hence, $\lambda_* = \langle Tu_*, u_* \rangle$ attainment. We only know $\|x_*\| \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{n_k}\| = 1$. Let $\rho = \|u_*\|$, then $\rho \in [0, 1]$. We have $\rho > 0$ since $\lambda_* \neq 0$. Take $\tilde{u} = \frac{1}{\rho} u_*$ then $\|\tilde{u}\| = 1$ and

$$|\langle T\tilde{u}, \tilde{u} \rangle| = \frac{1}{\rho^2} \underbrace{\langle Tu_*, u_* \rangle}_{=\lambda_*} = \frac{\gamma}{\rho^2} \leq \gamma \implies \rho^2 \geq 1 \implies \rho = 1$$

In fact, u_* is an eigenvector. W.l.o.g. $\lambda_* = +\gamma > 0$. Then $\forall u \in H : \langle Tu, u \rangle \leq \lambda_* \|u\|^2$. Now insert $u = u_* + \varepsilon v$ (see Calculus of Variations.)

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle (T - \lambda_*)(u_* + \varepsilon v, u_* + \varepsilon v) \rangle \leq 0 \quad \text{for all } \varepsilon, v \\ & \varepsilon^0 \underbrace{\langle (T - \lambda_*)u_*, u_* \rangle}_{=0} + \varepsilon^1 \langle (T - \lambda_*)u_*, v \rangle + \varepsilon^2 \langle (T - \lambda_*)v, v \rangle \leq 0 \quad \text{for all } \varepsilon \\ & \implies \langle (T - \lambda_*)u_*, v \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for all } v \\ & \implies (T - \lambda_*) = 0 \implies u_* \text{ eigenvector} \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 4.4.6 (Spectral theorem for compact self-adjoint operators)

H Hilbert space, $T = T^* \in \mathcal{K}(X)$. Then, there exists an at most countable ONS $\{e_j \mid j = 1, \dots, N\}$ with $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ and a sequence $(\lambda_j)_{j=1, \dots, N}$ such that

- (i) $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ if $N = \infty$
- (ii) $Tu = \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j \langle u, e_j \rangle e_j$ (spectral representation by eigenvectors)
- (iii) If $N(T) = \{0\}$, then the ONS is complete.

Lemma 4.4.7

$T = T^* \in \mathcal{L}(H)$. If $Y \subset H$ with $TY \subset Y$ (invariant subspace), then its orthogonal complement

$$Y^\perp = \{x \in H \mid \forall y \in Y : \langle x, y \rangle = 0\}$$

is also invariant, i.e. $TY^\perp \subset Y^\perp$. Hence for $Y \oplus Y^\perp$, we have $T = T_Y \oplus T_{Y^\perp}$. (Proof is straight forward).

Proof: (of spectral theorem) Inductive construction of eigenvectors:

$$\gamma_0 = \|T\|, \quad H_0 = H$$

The proposition yields an eigenvector (λ_1, e_1) with $|\lambda_1| = \gamma_0$, $\|e_1\| = 1$, $Te_1 = \lambda_1 e_1$.

$$Y_1 = \text{span}\{e_1\} \quad \text{and} \quad H_1 = Y_1^\perp \quad \text{in } H_0$$

Hence $T_1 = T|_{H_1} \in \mathcal{K}(H_1)$ and $T_1 = T_1^*$. Then

$$\gamma_1 = \sup\{|\langle T_1 u, u \rangle| \mid \|u\| = 1, u \in H_1\}$$

As long as $\gamma_k > 0$ we can construct a new eigenpair (λ_{k+1}, e_{k+1}) and proceed.

If $N < \infty$, then the remaining operator T_{N+1} on $\text{span}\{e_1, \dots, e_N\}^\perp$ is trivial and the spectral representation in (ii) holds. If $N = \infty$, we have to prove $\lambda_j \rightarrow 0$. Assume $|\lambda_j| \geq c > 0$ to produce a contradiction via compactness. $(e_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a bounded sequence and $Te_j = \lambda_j e_j$ by construction.

$$\|Te_n - Te_m\| = \|\lambda_n e_n - \lambda_m e_m\| \stackrel{\substack{n \neq m \\ \text{Pythagoras}}}{=} \lambda_n^2 + \lambda_m^2 \geq 2c^2$$

Hence there is no convergent subsequence which is a contradiction to $T \in \mathcal{K}(X)$. This proves (i).

To prove (iii), we define $Y = \overline{\text{span}\{e_j \mid j = 1, \dots, N\}}$. We have to show $Y^\perp = \{0\}$. $TY \subset Y$ by construction which implies (by the lemma) $TY^\perp \subset Y^\perp$. By construction $\gamma(Y^\perp) = 0$, since every $u \in H$ with $|\langle Tu, u \rangle| > 0$ would have been included into Y .

$$\implies T|_{Y^\perp} = 0 \implies Y^\perp \subset N(T) \stackrel{\text{assumption}}{=} \{0\}$$

□

Main application:

Completeness of the eigenfunctions of the Laplace operator.

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta u &= \lambda u & \text{in } \Omega & \quad u \neq 0 \\ u &= & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{aligned}$$

(λ, u) is called an eigenpair of the (Dirichlet-)Laplace operator.

We define the solution operator $u = \tilde{T}f$ for the Laplace operator via the weak form

$$\forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega) : \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx = \int_{\Omega} f v \, dx$$

By Lax-Milgram Lemma (2.4.5) $\tilde{T} \in \mathcal{L}(L^2(\Omega), H_0^1(\Omega))$. By Rellich's theorem (4.2.5) the embedding $E : H_0^1(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$, $u \mapsto u$ is compact (for bounded Ω). Hence $T = E\tilde{T} \in \mathcal{K}(L^2(\Omega))$. *Claim:* $T = T^*$ and $N(T) = \{0\}$. Self-adjointness $\langle Tf, g \rangle = \langle f, Tg \rangle$. Let $u = Tf$ and $v = Tg$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Tf, g \rangle &= \langle u, g \rangle \stackrel{\text{Lax-Mil.}}{=} \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{\nabla v \cdot \nabla u}_{\text{symmetric}} \, dx \\ &\stackrel{\text{Lax-Mil.}}{=} \int_{\Omega} f v \, dx = \langle f, v \rangle = \langle f, Tg \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Kernel $N(T)$ $Tf = 0 \implies 0 \langle Tf, f \rangle = \int |\nabla u|^2 \, dx \implies u = 0$ by the boundary conditions.

Inverse operators for (elliptic) partial differential operators are typically compact (if Ω bounded). Hence, the spectral theory applies.

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