

More Section 3.2 Linear Operators & Adjoint

- Linear Operators on Hilbert Spaces are the natural generalization of matrices in \mathbb{R}^n .

Let \mathbb{X} and \mathbb{Y} denote Hilbert Spaces, and let $L: \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{Y}$ be a bdd. linear operator mapping $\mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{Y}$

Defn: $D(L) = \{f \in \mathbb{X} \mid Lf \text{ is defined}\}$ "Domain of L "

$R(L) = \{y \in \mathbb{Y} \mid Lf = y \text{ for some } f \in \mathbb{X}\}$ "Range of L "

$N(L) = \{f \in \mathbb{X} \mid Lf = 0 \in \mathbb{Y}\}$ "Null space of L "

Defn 3.2 Assume $L: H \rightarrow H$. Then the adjoint of the operator L is that operator L^* (if it exists) for which $\langle Lf, g \rangle = \langle f, L^*g \rangle \quad \forall f, g \in H$

(Note that there is a more general defn. for L^* , but we haven't laid all the groundwork for that defn. yet)

Ex: Recall the bdd, linear operator $Ku(x) = \int_a^b \int_a^b k(x,y)u(y)dy$
 (Note, assume that all the integrals $\iint [k(x,y)]^2 dx dy, \int k(x,y)u(y)dy, \int k(x,y)v(x)dx$ exist & are finite)

We can compute the adjoint operator $K_{adj} \rightarrow$

Let $u, v \in H = L^2[a, b]$

$$\langle Ku, v \rangle = \int_a^b (Ku(x))v(x) dx$$

$$= \int_a^b \left[\int_a^b k(x, y)u(y) dy \right] v(x) dx$$

$$= \int_a^b \int_a^b k(x, y)u(y)v(x) dx dy$$

→ Applying Fubini's
Thm, pg. 64-65

$$= \int_a^b u(y) \left[\int_a^b k(x, y)v(x) dx \right] dy$$

$$= \int_a^b u(x) \left[\int_a^b k(y, x)v(y) dy \right] dx$$

↗ Renaming Dummy
variables of integration

$$= \langle u, K^*v \rangle$$

Where $K^*v(x) = \int_a^b k(y, x)v(y) dy \quad \forall v \in H$

So, we have derived the action of the K^* operator.

Not all operators have adjoints - as they have been previously defined. We have to generalize our defn. of an adjoint to further investigate!

Ex: Let $Lf = \frac{df}{dx}$, where $L: H'[0, 1] \rightarrow L^2[0, 1]$

with $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x) dx$ as the inner product.

For an adjoint calculation, we examine

the inner product →

$$\langle Lf, g \rangle = \int_0^1 [Lf]g(x)dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 f'(x)g(x)dx$$

$$= f(x)g(x) \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1} - \int_0^1 f(x)g'(x)dx \quad \text{I.B.P.}$$

$$= f(1)g(1) - f(0)g(0) + \int_0^1 f(x)[-g'(x)]dx$$

$$= f(1)g(1) - f(0)g(0) + \langle f, -\frac{dg}{dx} \rangle$$



can't be expressed in terms of an L^2 -inner product

If we restricted $D(L)$ so that $f(1)g(1) - f(0)g(0) = 0$,

then we could say that $\langle f, -\frac{dg}{dx} \rangle = \langle f, L^*g \rangle$

with $L^*g = -\frac{dg}{dx}$. But with $D(L) = H^1[0,1]$, L^*

is not well-defined.

Defn. 3.3 A subspace $M \subset H$ is a closed linear manifold if every sequence in M which is convergent in H is also convergent in M (so that M is a Hilbert space itself)

Ex 1: Let L be a bdd. linear operator, then $N(L)$ is a closed linear manifold.
(see your textbook, pg. 107)

Ex2: Spse M is a Linear manifold in H (i.e. a subspace of H)
Define the Orthogonal complement of M
to be

$$M' = \{f \in H \mid \langle f, g \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } g \in M\}$$

(Note: This is the analog of our M^\perp for finite dimensional vector spaces!!)

Claim: M' is a closed linear manifold.

#: Spse $\{u_n\}$ is a sequence in M' , and spse that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = u \in H$.

(We want to show that $u \in M'$ also, i.e. $\langle u, g \rangle = 0 \forall g \in M$)
Let $g \in H$, and note that $L_g: H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defines a bdd. linear operator

$$L_g u = \langle u, g \rangle \quad \forall u \in H \quad (\text{See Ex 4 of Bdd Lin. Oper. Notes})$$

Since $u_n, u \in H$, we examine

$$L_g(u_n - u) = \langle u_n - u, g \rangle$$

Note that L_g is a bdd. operator so that

$$|L_g(u_n - u)| = |\langle u_n - u, g \rangle| \leq \|u_n - u\| \|g\|$$

Since $g \in H$, $\|g\| < \infty$. Given $\epsilon > 0$, we can choose N so that for $n > N$, we have $\|u_n - u\| < \frac{\epsilon}{\|g\|}$.

Hence, for $n > N$, we have

$$|\langle u_n - u, g \rangle| \leq \|u_n - u\| \|g\| < \frac{\epsilon}{\|g\|} \cdot \|g\| = \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle u_n - u, g \rangle = 0$$

That is, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle u_n, g \rangle - \langle u, g \rangle = 0$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle u_n, g \rangle = \langle u, g \rangle.$$

$$= 0 \quad \forall u_n \text{ since } u_n \in M'$$

Hence, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle u_n, g \rangle = 0$, and we've shown that

$$\langle u, g \rangle = 0.$$

Since, g was an arbitrary element of M , we've shown that $\langle u, g \rangle = 0 \quad \forall g \in M$ so that $u \in M'$, and thus, M' is a closed linear manifold. So M' is a Hilbert space. //

Just as we had direct sums $S \oplus S^\perp$ in finite dimensional vector spaces, we have a similar result for Hilbert spaces.

Let M denote a linear manifold of H . Then if $f \in H \exists f_1 \in \text{closure of } M \text{ and } f_2 \in M'$ so that

$$f = f_1 + f_2$$

And this decomposition is unique.

Note: You've already seen a few examples of linear functionals, but in the next defn, Keener makes it official \rightarrow

Dyn 3.4

(1) A Linear Functional $T: H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a linear mapping of H into \mathbb{R} satisfying
 $T(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha Tf + \beta Tg \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } \forall f, g \in H$

(2) A Linear Functional $T: H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Bounded if there is a positive real $\# C$ for which
 $|Tu| \leq C \|u\| \quad \forall u \in H.$

Recall Ex. 4 from the Bdd. Lin. Operator Notes:

Fix $g \in L^2[0, 1]$, then $T_g: L^2[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$T_g(f) = \langle g, f \rangle = \int_0^1 g(x)f(x)dx$$

is a Bdd. Linear Functional on $L^2[0, 1]$

Note: A Bdd. Linear Functional is a special case of a Bdd. Linear Operator where the Range of L happens to be \mathbb{R} . (or a subset of \mathbb{R})

The example above shows that any $g \in L^2[0, 1]$ determines a bdd. linear functional on $L^2[0, 1]$. The following theorem says the converse... i.e. that all bdd, linear functionals on a Hilbert space have a "Representation" in terms of this inner product $\langle g, f \rangle$.



The Riesz Representation Theorem is one of those fundamental theorems of Applied Math

Thm 3.1 Riesz Representation Theorem

For any bounded linear functional $T: H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, there exists a unique $g \in H$ so that $Tf = \langle f, g \rangle \quad \forall f \in H$.

Remark: Riesz Rep. Thm says that if we are given a bdd linear fctnl T that maps the elements of H into \mathbb{R} , then we can always find a! element of H , call it g , so that "the action of the linear functional, T , on the elements of H can be represented by the inner-product of g with the elements of H " i.e.

$$Tf = \langle f, g \rangle \quad \forall f \in H$$

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the action of T on some $f \in H$ & it can be represented as an inner-product of f with g

pf: (Uniqueness First) Spse $\exists g_1, g_2 \in H$ so that $Tf = \langle f, g_1 \rangle \quad \forall f \in H$ and $Tf = \langle f, g_2 \rangle \quad \forall f \in H$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } Tf = \langle f, g_1 \rangle &= \langle f, g_2 \rangle \quad \forall f \in H \\ \Rightarrow \langle f, g_1 - g_2 \rangle &= 0 \quad \forall f \in H \text{ by properties of } \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle \end{aligned}$$

But $g_1 - g_2 \in H$, so this implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle g_1 - g_2, g_1 - g_2 \rangle = 0 &\Rightarrow \|g_1 - g_2\|^2 = 0 \text{ by defn of } \|\cdot\| = \sqrt{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle} \\ &\Rightarrow \|g_1 - g_2\| = 0 \end{aligned}$$

So, $g_1 - g_2 = 0 \in H \Rightarrow g_1 = g_2 \in H$, and the $g \in H$ is unique!

(Now we show the existence of $g \in H$)

Recall the null space of T as

$$N = \{f \in H \mid Tf = 0\}$$

$\hookrightarrow 0 \in \mathbb{R}$ since $T: H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Case 1: If $N = H$, then $Tf = 0 \ \forall f \in H$, and we can choose $g = 0 \in H$ to obtain

$$0 = \langle f, 0 \rangle = \langle f, g \rangle = Tf \quad \forall f \in H$$

$\downarrow 0 \in \mathbb{R} \quad \downarrow 0 \in H$

and we are done since $Tf = \langle f, g \rangle \ \forall f \in H$

Case 2: If N is a proper subset of H , then N' (orthog. comp. of N) is a nontrivial, closed subspace of H . (We showed this on page 4 of these notes.)

Hence, we choose $g_0 \in N'$ with $\|g_0\| = 1$.

Then $\langle g_0, f \rangle = 0 \ \forall f \in N$ by defn. of N' .

Note $g_0 \neq 0$ since $g_0 \in N'$ with $\|g_0\| = 1$, and

$$Tg_0 \neq 0 \text{ since } g_0 \notin N$$

Define $g = (Tg_0)g_0$ (Note $Tg_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ is a nonzero scalar)

(Now, we want to show that $Tf = \langle f, g \rangle \ \forall f \in H$.)

So, for any $f \in H$, we let

$$y = (Tf)g_0 - (Tg_0)f \in H \text{ since } g_0, f \in H, Tf, Tg_0 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Claim: $y \in N$

$$\text{pf: } Ty = T[(Tf)g_0 - (Tg_0)f]$$

$$= (Tf)Tg_0 - (Tg_0)Tf$$

$$= (Tf)Tg_0 - (Tf)Tg_0$$

$$= 0$$

But $Tf, Tg_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ so that

But if $y = (Tf)g_0 - (Tg_0)f \in N$, then $\langle y, g_0 \rangle = 0$ since $g_0 \in N'$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \langle y, g_0 \rangle \\ &= \langle (Tf)g_0 - (Tg_0)f, g_0 \rangle \\ &= \langle (Tf)g_0, g_0 \rangle - \langle (Tg_0)f, g_0 \rangle \\ 0 &= (Tf)\langle g_0, g_0 \rangle - (Tg_0)\langle f, g_0 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (Tf)\langle g_0, g_0 \rangle &= (Tg_0)\langle f, g_0 \rangle \\ \Rightarrow (Tf)\underbrace{\|g_0\|^2}_{=1 \text{ by construction}} &= \langle f, (Tg_0)g_0 \rangle \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \updownarrow \\ \text{since } Tg_0 \in \mathbb{R} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } Tf &= \langle f, (Tg_0)g_0 \rangle \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle \quad \text{by defn of } g \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $Tf = \langle f, g \rangle \quad \forall f \in H$

Remark: Riesz Representation Theorem fails
to apply for an unbounded linear functional.