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Note:

Hilbert space H , $T: H \rightarrow H$ operator, $\langle Tx, x \rangle = 0 \quad \forall x \in H$, Is $T=0$? No.

(~~T~~ has to have a condition, e.g., bnded & linear)

Continuation of the proof last time:

⊖ If $H = \overline{\text{span}\{x_k\}}$, we need to show $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ is maximal. Take $x \in H$ s.t. $\langle x, x_k \rangle = 0 \quad \forall k$. Since $H = \overline{\text{span}\{x_k\}}$, there exists a sequence $\{y_n\} \subset \text{span}\{x_k\}$ s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = x$.

For each n , $y_n \in \text{span}\{x_k\}$, $\langle x, x_k \rangle = 0, \forall k$. So, $\langle x, y_n \rangle = 0, \forall n$. On the other hand, $y_n \rightarrow x$, $\langle x, y_n \rangle \rightarrow \langle x, x \rangle$. So, $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$. It means $x=0$. \square

Thm (Fourier Expansion)

Let H be a Hilbert, $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ be a maximal orthonormal seq. in H .

Then, $\forall x \in H$ can be written as $x = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \langle x, x_k \rangle x_k$.

Note: The Thm relies on the existence of a maximal orthonormal seq.

② Combining w/ the previous lemmas, with the same assumptions as the Fourier expansions Thm, $\|x\|^2 = \sum_{k=1}^\infty |\langle x, x_k \rangle|^2$ (Parseval's Identity)

Thm Let H be a Hilbert space. Then H has a maximal orthonormal seq. iff H is separable.

↳ (It means H has a dense countable subset)

$$H = \overline{\bigcup_{k=1}^\infty z_k} \quad | z_k \in H$$

Pf. $H = \overline{\bigcup_{k=1}^\infty z_k}$.

$\{z_k\}$ vectors in H $\xrightarrow{\text{construct}}$ a maximal linearly independent set $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$
 \downarrow Gram-Schmit procedure
 at most countable orthonorm. set $\{u_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$

So, $H = \overline{\bigcup_{k=1}^\infty z_k} = \overline{\text{span}\{\bigcup_{k=1}^\infty u_k\}}$. \square

$H = \overline{\text{span}\{x_k\}}$ $\{x_k\}$ orthonorm. $\rightarrow \|x\|^2 = \langle x, x \rangle$
 $= \langle \sum_{k=1}^\infty \langle x, x_k \rangle x_k, \dots \rangle$
 $= \sum_k \langle \langle x, x_k \rangle x_k, \dots \rangle$
 $= \sum_k x_k \langle \langle x, x_k \rangle, \dots \rangle$
 $= \sum_k \langle \langle x, x_k \rangle, x_k \sum_{k=1}^\infty \dots \rangle$
 $= \sum_k |\langle x, x_k \rangle|^2$

All 0's except for one k

Example Separable Hilbert space

$L_2[a,b] = \overline{C[a,b]} = P_{\mathbb{Q}}(x)$

where $P_{\mathbb{Q}}(x) = \{a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n \mid a_k \in \mathbb{Q}\}$

a maximal orthonorm. basis.

Thm $\{\Phi_n\} = \{1, \sqrt{2} \cos 2\pi t, \sqrt{2} \sin 2\pi t, \dots, \sqrt{2} \cos 2\pi n t, \sqrt{2} \sin 2\pi n t, \dots\}$

is a maximal orthonorm. seq. for $L_2[0,1]$.

Pf. see Siegel.

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orthonormal basis

$$H = \text{span} \{ \Phi_n \}_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

$$\langle Lx, y \rangle = \langle Lx, Ly \rangle$$

implies L bounded & linear, $L^* = L$.

Spectral Theory (for compact self-adjoint operators)

For the remainder of today, we only work w/ $L: H \rightarrow H$ compact, self-adj. and H Hilbert.

↳ If $\{z_n\} \subset H$ bounded, then \exists a subseq

$\{Lz_{n_k}\}$ converges.

Definitions λ is called an eigenvalue of L , if $\exists v \in H, v \neq 0$ s.t. $Lv = \lambda v$.

Example
$$\begin{cases} y'' + \lambda y = 0 \\ y(0) = y(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

After integration, bla bla, $y(x) = \lambda \int_0^1 g(x,s) y(s) ds$ where $g(x,s) = \begin{cases} s(1-x) & 0 \leq s \leq x \leq 1 \\ x(1-s) & 0 \leq x \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$

Define $L: L_2[0,1] \rightarrow L_2[0,1]$, L compact, $L^* u(x) = \int_0^1 \overline{g(s,x)} u(s) ds$, $\overline{g(s,x)} = g(s,x) = g(x,s)$.
 $L u(x) := \int_0^1 g(x,s) u(s) ds$ \uparrow $L^* = L$ self-adjoint

If y is a solution of one ODE, $y = \lambda Ly$ (y is an eigenvector of L w/ eigenvalue λ).

Prop 1: Eigenvectors belonging to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal. All eigenvalues of

L are real.

Pf. $Lv_1 = \lambda_1 v_1, Lv_2 = \lambda_2 v_2, v_1, v_2 \neq 0, \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$.

$$\langle Lv_1, v_1 \rangle = \langle \lambda_1 v_1, v_1 \rangle = \lambda_1 \|v_1\|^2$$

self-adj. \parallel

$$\langle v_1, Lv_1 \rangle = \langle v_1, \lambda_1 v_1 \rangle = \overline{\lambda_1} \|v_1\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \overline{\lambda_1} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\int_0^x ds = \begin{cases} \min(x,0) \\ 0 \\ \min(x,1) \end{cases}$$

Next, $\langle Lv_1, v_2 \rangle = \lambda_1 \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$

self-adj. \parallel

$$\langle Lv_1, Lv_2 \rangle = \underbrace{\lambda_2}_{\in \mathbb{R}} \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)}_{\neq 0} \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \text{orth. } \square$$

Prop 2 $\|L\| = \sup_{\substack{v \in H \\ \|v\| \leq 1}} |\langle Lv, v \rangle| = \sup_{\substack{v \in H \\ \|v\|=1}} |\langle Lv, v \rangle|$ (prove this)

Prop 3 $\exists \phi_1 \in H, \|\phi_1\|=1, L\phi_1 = M_1 \phi_1$ for some $M_1 \in \mathbb{R}$. Indeed, $|M_1| = \|L\|$, and ϕ_1 is a solution of $\max_{\substack{v \in H \\ \|v\|=1}} |\langle Lv, v \rangle|$.

Pf. Construct ϕ_1 . Since $\|L\| = \sup_{v \in H, \|v\|=1} |\langle Lv, v \rangle|$, $\exists \{v_n\} \subset H$ s.t. $|\langle Lv_n, v_n \rangle| \rightarrow \|L\|$.
 Idea: $\{ \langle Lv_n, v_n \rangle \}_n$ also converges to M_1 , $|M_1| = \|L\|$.
 From the uniqueness of limits, $M_1 \in \mathbb{R}$.

Step 1 show that $Lv_n - M_1 v_n \rightarrow 0$. Recall lemma if L is self-adj, $\langle Lx, x \rangle \in \mathbb{R}, \forall x \in H$.

$$\begin{aligned} \|Lv_n - M_1 v_n\|^2 &= \|Lv_n\|^2 - 2M_1 \langle Lv_n, v_n \rangle + M_1^2 \|v_n\|^2 \\ &\leq \|L\|^2 \|v_n\|^2 - 2M_1 \langle Lv_n, v_n \rangle + M_1^2 \|v_n\|^2 \quad |M_1| = \|L\| \\ &\leq 2M_1^2 - 2M_1 \langle Lv_n, v_n \rangle \\ n \rightarrow \infty \quad 2M_1^2 - 2M_1 \langle Lv_n, v_n \rangle &\rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $Lv_n - M_1 v_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

$\|v_n\|=1, \{v_n\}$ bnded. Since L is compact, $\exists \{v_{n_k}\}$ s.t. $\{Lv_{n_k}\}_k$ converges to 0.
 $\{Lv_{n_k} - M_1 v_{n_k}\}_k$ also converges to 0. So $\{M_1 v_{n_k}\}_k$ converges.
 $|M_1| = \|L\| \neq 0, M_1 \neq 0$. therefore, $\{v_{n_k}\}_k$ converges.

Denote $\phi_1 = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} v_{n_k}$. Since L is continuous, $L\phi_1 = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} Lv_{n_k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} M_1 v_{n_k} = M_1 \phi_1$.

Since $\|v_{n_k}\|=1, \|\phi_1\| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|v_{n_k}\| = 1$. ϕ_1 is an eigenvector of L .

$\langle L\phi_1, \phi_1 \rangle = M_1 \langle \phi_1, \phi_1 \rangle = M_1$. So, ϕ_1 is a solution of $\max_{\substack{v \in H \\ \|v\|=1}} |\langle Lv, v \rangle| = \|L\|$.

Summary, $\|\phi_1\|=1, \phi_1 \in H, |\langle L\phi_1, \phi_1 \rangle| = \max_{\substack{v \in H \\ \|v\|=1}} |\langle Lv, v \rangle|$
 $\phi_1: L\phi_1 = M_1 \phi_1$
 $|M_1| = \|L\|$.

Next step

$\phi_1^\perp = \text{span}\{\phi_1\}^\perp$
 $\Phi_2: H_1 = \{x \in H: \langle x, \phi_1 \rangle = 0\}$ subspace closed. $L|_{H_1}: H_1 \rightarrow H$.

Operator L restricted to H_1 in domain

claim $\text{Im}(L|_{H_1}) \subseteq H_1$.

Take $x \in H_1$. Show that $Lx \in H_1$.

$$\langle Lx, \Phi_1 \rangle = \overset{\text{self-adj.}}{\langle x, L\Phi_1 \rangle} = \lambda_1 \langle x, \Phi_1 \rangle = \lambda_1 \cdot 0 = 0$$

Therefore, $Lx \in H_1$.

So, $L_1 = L|_{H_1} : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$. H_1 closed subspace.

L_1 is also compact, self-adj. $\|L_1\| \leq \|L\|$

$$\exists \Phi_2 \in H_1, \|\Phi_2\| = 1, L_1 \overset{L\Phi_2}{=} \overset{||}{=} M_2 \Phi_2, |M_2| = \|L_2\| \leq |M_1|.$$

$$|\langle L\Phi_2, \Phi_2 \rangle| = \max_{\substack{v \in H_1 \\ \|v\|=1}} |\langle Lv, v \rangle|$$

$$\langle \Phi_2, \Phi_1 \rangle = 0$$

\vdots

$$H_n = \{x \in H : \langle x, \Phi_k \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } k=1, \dots, n\}$$

$\Phi_{n+1} \in H_n$. eigenvector, $\langle \Phi_{n+1}, \Phi_k \rangle = 0, \forall k=1, \dots, n$

$$|\langle L\Phi_{n+1}, \Phi_{n+1} \rangle| = \max_{\substack{v \in H_n \\ \|v\|=1}} |\langle Lv, v \rangle|$$

Observation $L\Phi_k = M_k \Phi_k$, $|M_k| = \|L_k\|$ where $L_k = L|_{H_k}$

$|M_1| \geq |M_2| \geq \dots \geq |M_n| \geq \dots$, $M_k \in \mathbb{R}$. \rightarrow Can an operator have inf. many eig. values?

Lemma $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n = 0$.

Pf. Assume $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n \neq 0$. $\exists \epsilon, \{n_k\} : |M_{n_k}| > \epsilon, \forall k=1, 2, \dots$

$$\left\| \frac{\Phi_{n_k}}{M_{n_k}} \right\| < \frac{1}{\epsilon} \quad \left\| \frac{\Phi_{n_k}}{M_{n_k}} \right\| < \frac{|M_{n_k}|}{\epsilon} < 1$$

$\left\{ \frac{\Phi_{n_k}}{M_{n_k}} \right\}_k$ is bdd in H .

L compact $\left\{ \frac{\Phi_{n_k}}{M_{n_k}} \right\} \rightarrow$ converges where $\left\{ \frac{\Phi_{n_k}}{M_{n_k}} \right\} \subset \left\{ \frac{\Phi_{n_k}}{M_{n_k}} \right\}$

On the other hand, $\left\| \frac{\Phi_{n_k}}{M_{n_k}} \right\| = \frac{1}{|M_{n_k}|} \geq \frac{1}{\epsilon} > 0$. So, $\left\{ \frac{\Phi_{n_k}}{M_{n_k}} \right\}$ would not converge. Contradiction. \square

\Leftarrow

Why?