

Adjoint: $T: H \rightarrow H$

$T^*: H \rightarrow H$

$$\langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle x, T^*y \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in H$$

Proposition: X Hilbert space, $S, T \in \mathcal{B}(X)$,

$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{F}$.

i) $(\alpha S + \beta T)^* = \bar{\alpha} S^* + \bar{\beta} T^*$

ii) $(ST)^* = T^*S^*$

iii) $(T^*)^* = T$

iv) $\|T^*\| = \|T\|$

v) $\|T^*T\| = \|TT^*\| = \|T\|^2$

PF iii) $(T^*)^* = T$:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, T^{**}y \rangle &= \langle T^*x, y \rangle \\ &= \overline{\langle y, T^*x \rangle} \\ &= \overline{\langle Ty, x \rangle} = \langle x, Ty \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$\forall x, y \in X$

$$\Rightarrow T^{**}y - Ty = 0 \quad \forall y \in X$$

$$\Rightarrow T^{**} = T$$

iv) Know already that $\|T^*\| \leq \|T\|$ (2)
On the other hand, $T^{**} = T$, so

$$\|T\| = \|T^{**}\| \leq \|T^*\|$$

$$\Rightarrow \|T\| = \|T^*\| .$$

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Exs:

i) left and right shift operators on ℓ^2 :

$$R: \ell^2 \rightarrow \ell^2 \text{ given by } R(x) = (0, x_1, x_2, \dots)$$

$(x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) \in \ell^2)$

Its adjoint is

$$L: \ell^2 \rightarrow \ell^2 \text{ given by } L(x) = (x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots)$$

Why:

$$\langle Rx, y \rangle = \langle x, R^* y \rangle$$

$$= \langle (0, x_1, x_2, \dots), (y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots) \rangle$$

$$= \cancel{0 \cdot y_1} + x_1 \cdot y_2 + x_2 \cdot y_3 + \dots$$

$$= \langle (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots), (y_2, y_3, y_4, \dots) \rangle$$

$$= \langle x, Ly \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in \ell^2$$

$$\Rightarrow R^* = L .$$

ii) Mult. operator: Consider $T_a: \ell^2 \rightarrow \ell^2$ ③

given by $T_a x = (a_j x_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$, $x \in \ell^2$,

where $a = (a_j) \in \ell^\infty$. What is T_a^* ?

Claim: $T_a^* = T_{\bar{a}}$

Exercise: show this! ($\langle T_a x, y \rangle = \langle x, T_{\bar{a}} y \rangle$)

iii) Mult. operator on $L^2[0,1]$: Consider $T_a: L^2[0,1] \rightarrow L^2[0,1]$ given by

$$T_a(f) = af, \quad f \in L^2[0,1]$$

$$T_a f(t) = a(t)f(t)$$

For some fixed func $a \in C[0,1]$. We

have $T_a^* = T_{\bar{a}}$:

$$\langle T_a f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 T_a f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 a(t) f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 f(t) \overline{a(t)g(t)} dt$$

$$= \langle f, T_{\bar{a}} g \rangle \quad \forall f, g \in L^2[0,1].$$

iv) Matrices: Let $T: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ be given by $Tx = Ax$ for fixed $n \times n$ matrix A . Then

$$T^*x = \overline{A}^T x, \quad x \in \mathbb{C}^n \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Why: } \langle Tx, y \rangle &= \langle Ax, y \rangle = (Ax)^T \overline{y} \\ &= x^T A^T \overline{y} = x^T \overline{(\overline{A}^T y)} \\ &= \langle x, \underline{\overline{A}^T y} \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{C}^n \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow T^*$ is given by $T^*x = \overline{A}^T x$.

DEF: X Hilbert space, $T \in \mathcal{B}(X)$. We say that

T is:

i) normal if $TT^* = T^*T$

ii) unitary if T is a bijection and $T^{-1} = T^*$. We then have $TT^* = T^*T = I$

iii) self-adjoint (or Hermitian) if $T^* = T$

Exs: i) Mult. op. on ℓ^2 : $T_a: \ell^2 \rightarrow \ell^2$

$$T_a(x) = ax \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \ell^\infty \end{matrix}$$

We claimed: $T_a^* = T_{\overline{a}}$

T_a is normal:

$$T_a^* T_a = T_{\overline{a}} T_a = T_{|a|^2}$$

$$T_a T_a^* = T_a T_{\overline{a}} = T_{|a|^2}$$

} = I ?

We see that T_a is unitary iff: (5)

$$|a|^2 = (|a_1|^2, |a_2|^2, |a_3|^2, \dots) = (1, 1, 1, \dots)$$

$\Rightarrow T_a$ is unitary if $|a_i| = 1 \forall i$

For instance, T_a is unitary if

$$a = (i^k)_{k=0}^{\infty} = (1, i, -1, -i, 1, i, \dots)$$

Finally, T_a is self-adj iff a is real-valued: $T_a^* = T_{\bar{a}} = T_a \iff a_j \in \mathbb{R} \forall j$

ii) Shift operators on ℓ^2 : $R: \ell^2 \rightarrow \ell^2$ is not normal, as:

$$\begin{aligned} R^* R x &= L R x = L(0, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) \\ &= (x_1, x_2, \dots) = Ix \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R R^* x &= R L x = R(x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots) \\ &= \underline{(0, x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots)} \neq Ix \end{aligned}$$

Ex: $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ given by $Tx = Ax \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\text{Saw: } T^* x = A^T x \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Thus if $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is given by real-val.

$(n \times n)$ matrix A , then $T^*x = A^T x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ⑥

We see that:

- i) T is self-adj. if A is symmetric ($A = A^T$)
- ii) T is unitary if A is invertible and $A^{-1} = A^T$ (columns of A are orthon.).

Lemma: X Hilbert space, $S, T \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ unitary.

Then: i) S is isometric: $\|Sx\| = \|x\| \quad \forall x \in X$
 $\Rightarrow \|S\| = 1 \quad (X \neq \{0\})$

ii) ST and TS are unitary.

iii) I (the identity operator) is unitary.

PF i):

$$\begin{aligned} \|Sx\|^2 &= \langle Sx, Sx \rangle = \langle x, \underbrace{S^*S}_{= S^*S = I} x \rangle \\ &= \langle x, Ix \rangle = \langle x, x \rangle = \|x\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|Sx\| = \|x\| \quad \forall x \in X.$$

Proposition: X Hilbert space, $T \in \mathcal{B}(X)$. We then

have: i) $\overline{\text{ran}(T)} = (\ker T^*)^\perp$

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ii) $\ker(T) = \text{ran}(T^*)^\perp$

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Consequently,

$$X = \ker(T) \oplus \overline{\operatorname{ran}(T^*)}$$

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meaning every $x \in X$ has a unique repr.

$$X = X_{\ker(T)} + X_{\ker(T)^\perp}$$

$$= X_{\ker T} + X_{\overline{\operatorname{ran}(T^*)}}$$

Corollary: X Hilbert space, $T \in \mathcal{B}(X)$

Then $\ker(T^*) = \{0\}$ iff $\overline{\operatorname{ran}(T)}$ is dense in X . (i.e. if

$$\overline{\operatorname{ran}(T)} = X)$$

Proof of i): $\overline{\operatorname{ran}(T)} = \ker(T^*)^\perp$

Showing $\overline{\operatorname{ran}(T)} \subseteq \ker(T^*)^\perp$

Show: $\operatorname{ran}(T) \subseteq \ker(T^*)^\perp \leftarrow$ closed, so it will follow that $\overline{\operatorname{ran}(T)} \subseteq \ker(T^*)^\perp$

Let $y \in \operatorname{ran}(T) \rightarrow y = Tx$ for some $x \in X$

For any $z \in \ker(T^*)$, we have

$$\langle y, z \rangle = \langle Tx, z \rangle = \langle x, \underbrace{T^*z}_{=0} \rangle$$

$$= \langle x, 0 \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in \ker(T^*)^\perp \Rightarrow \operatorname{ran}(T) \subseteq \ker(T^*)^\perp$$

Showing $\ker(T^*)^\perp \subseteq \overline{\text{ran}(T)}$ ⑧

Show: $\overline{\text{ran}(T)}^\perp \subseteq \ker(T^*)$

Then $\overline{\text{ran}(T)}^{\perp\perp} = \overline{\text{ran}(T)} \supseteq \ker(T^*)^\perp$

Let $x \in \overline{\text{ran}(T)}^\perp$. Then $x \in \text{ran}(T)^\perp$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \langle Ty, x \rangle = \langle y, \underbrace{T^*x}_{=0} \rangle \quad \forall y \in X$$

$\Rightarrow T^*x = 0$, so $x \in \ker(T^*)$

$\Rightarrow \overline{\text{ran}(T)}^\perp \subseteq \ker(T^*)$

$\Rightarrow \overline{\text{ran}(T)} \supseteq \ker(T^*)^\perp$

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SELECTED TOPICS IN LINEAR ALGEBRA

$\mathcal{B}(X, Y)$ with X and Y finite-dimensional

1) Showing $\mathcal{B}(X, Y) \cong \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}^{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{C})$ ($m \times n$ matrices with complex entries) if X and Y are complex vector spaces of dim. n and m , respectively.

- 2) Spectral theory for such operators (9)
- 3) Matrix decompositions (SVDs, polar decomp, pseudoinverses)

1) Bdd Lin operators between finite-dim spaces

THM: Let X be a complex vector space with basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$. Then X is isomorphic to \mathbb{C}^n , $X \cong \mathbb{C}^n$ (meaning \exists linear bijection between the two). Similarly, if X is a real vector space, then $X \cong \mathbb{R}^n$.

Sketch

PF (complex case):

Every $x \in X$ has a unique repr

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i e_i, \quad a_i \in \mathbb{C}$$

Let $T: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ be defined by

$$Tx = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$$

Then T is linear, injective and

surjective (check this!), so $X \cong \mathbb{C}^n$ \square

Now let $T: X \rightarrow Y$
↖ ↗ Fin-dim

Lemma:

Let X be fin-dim vector space with basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$. For any values $y_1, \dots, y_n \in Y$ there exists precisely one $T \in \mathcal{B}(X, Y)$ s.t.

$$Te_j = y_j \quad \forall j=1, \dots, n.$$

Proof: In note.

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i e_i \rightarrow Tx = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i Te_i = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i y_i$$

Ex: $T: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^m$

$$Tx = Ax, \quad A \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{C})$$

Applying T to the std basis vectors determines the column vectors A_j of A

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ A_1 & \dots & A_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$