

5 Homework 5

13. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$, $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ be two normed vector spaces and let $T : X \rightarrow Y$ be a linear mapping.

(a) Prove that T is continuous if and only if T is a bounded linear mapping.

Proof. Suppose that T is continuous. Then at $x_0 = 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\|x\|_X < \delta \implies \|T(x)\|_Y \leq 1$$

We claim that our $M = \frac{2}{\delta}$. Let $x \in X$. Notice that $\left\| \frac{\delta \cdot x}{2\|x\|_X} \right\|_X \leq \delta$. By the continuity of T we have that

$$\left\| T\left(\frac{\delta \cdot x}{2\|x\|_X}\right) \right\|_Y \leq 1 \implies \frac{\delta}{2 \cdot \|x\|_X} \|T(x)\|_Y \leq 1 \implies \|T(x)\|_Y \leq \frac{2}{\delta} \|x\|_X$$

Thus T is a bounded linear mapping.

Next, suppose that T is a bounded linear mapping. Then there is an $M > 0$ such that for all $x \in X$,

$$\|T(x)\|_Y \leq M\|x\|_X$$

We will show that T is continuous everywhere. Fix $a \in X$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Let $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{M}$. Let $x \in X$ and suppose that $\|x - a\|_X < \delta$. Then

$$\|T(x) - T(a)\|_Y = \|T(x - a)\|_Y \leq M\|x - a\|_X < \varepsilon$$

and we are done. □

(b) Suppose that $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y) = (\mathbf{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_2)$. Prove that T is continuous if and only if $\ker(T)$ is closed.

Proof. Suppose that T is continuous. Let a be a limit point for $\ker(T)$. We want to show that $T(a) = 0$. By definition, T being continuous implies that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} T(x) = T(a)$$

or more formally, letting ε be arbitrary, there exists a δ such that

$$\|x - a\|_X < \delta \implies \|T(x) - T(a)\|_2$$

Since a is a limit point of $\ker(T)$, there exists $x \in \ker(T)$ such that

$$x \in B(a, \delta) \implies \|x - a\|_X < \delta \implies \|T(x) - T(a)\|_2 < \varepsilon \implies \|T(a)\|_2 < \varepsilon$$

By properties of norms $\|T(a)\|_2 \geq 0$, so we must have that $T(a) = 0 \implies a \in \ker(T)$. Thus $\ker(T)$ is closed.

I have no clue how to prove the converse so yeah. □

16. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed vector space, let $B(X) = B(X, X)$ be the space of bounded linear operators on X , and equip $B(X)$ with the operator norm $\|\cdot\|_{\text{op}}$. Let $\text{GL}(X)$ be the set of invertible bounded linear operators:

$$\text{GL}(X) = \{T \in B(X) : T \text{ is invertible}\}.$$

(The notation GL means “general linear group.”)

Prove that if $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is complete, then $\text{GL}(X)$ is an open subset of $(B(X), \|\cdot\|_{\text{op}})$.

Proof. First, we prove a couple lemmas.

Lemma 1. For all $S, T \in B(X, X)$,

$$\|ST\|_{\text{op}} \leq \|S\|_{\text{op}}\|T\|_{\text{op}}$$

To prove this, let $x \in X$ so that $\|x\|_X \leq 1$. Then

$$\|S(T(x))\|_X = \left\| S \left(\frac{\|T(x)\|_X}{\|T(x)\|_X} T(x) \right) \right\|_X = \|T(x)\|_X \left\| S \left(\frac{T(x)}{\|T(x)\|_X} \right) \right\|_X$$

Notice that $\left\| \frac{T(x)}{\|T(x)\|_X} \right\|_X = 1$. We obtain that

$$\|S(T(x))\|_X = \|T(x)\|_X \left\| S \left(\frac{T(x)}{\|T(x)\|_X} \right) \right\|_X \leq \|T\|_{\text{op}}\|S\|_{\text{op}}$$

Since $\|T\|_{\text{op}}\|S\|_{\text{op}}$ is an upper bound for $\|S(T(x))\|_X$ when $\|x\|_X \leq 1$, by definition of supremum we can conclude that $\|ST\|_{\text{op}} \leq \|S\|_{\text{op}}\|T\|_{\text{op}}$, proving the first lemma.

Next, the following lemma will help in proving Lemma 3.

Lemma 2. If $T, U \in B(X)$, then for $x \in X$,

$$\|T(x) - U(x)\|_X \leq \|x\|_X \|T - U\|_{\text{op}}$$

Let $T, U \in B(X)$. Then

$$\|(T - U)(x)\|_X = \left\| \|x\|_X (T - U) \left(\frac{x}{\|x\|_X} \right) \right\|_X = \|x\|_X \left\| (T - U) \left(\frac{x}{\|x\|_X} \right) \right\|_X$$

Since $\frac{x}{\|x\|_X} = 1$,

$$\|x\|_X \left\| (T - U) \left(\frac{x}{\|x\|_X} \right) \right\|_X \leq \|x\|_X \|T - U\|_{\text{op}}$$

which is what we wanted.

We will use the proceeding lemma to help us prove Lemma 4.

Lemma 3. If X is complete then $B(X, X)$ is complete.

For every Cauchy sequence (T_n) in $B(X, X)$, the sequence $(T_n(x_i))$, where x_i is an arbitrary element in X , is a Cauchy sequence in X . By the completeness of X , $(T_n(x_i))$ converges to some L_i . Let T be a linear operator on X defined by $T(x_i) = L_i$. We can see that this is indeed a linear operator because

$$cT(x_i) + T(x_j) = cL_i + L_j = c \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n(x_i) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n(x_j) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} cT_n(x_i) + T_n(x_j) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n(cx_i + x_j)$$

X is closed, so $cx_i + x_j$ is equal to some $x_k \in X$. Thus

$$cT(x_i) + T(x_j) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n(cx_i + x_j) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n(x_k) = L_k = T(x_k)$$

which implies that T is a linear operator.

To show that T is bounded, we know that T_n is bounded, so $\|T_n(x)\|_X < M_n\|x\|_X$, for some $M_n > 0$. As well, we have that T_n is uniformly continuous. Thus for a sufficiently large $n \in \mathbb{N}$, for all $x \in X$, using Lemma 2,

$$\|T(x)\|_X = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|T_m(x)\|_X \leq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|T_m(x) - T_n(x)\|_X + \|T_n(x)\|_X < \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n - T_m\|_{\text{op}}\|x\|_X + \|T_n(x)\|_X$$

$$\leq \|x\|_X + M_n \|x\|_X$$

Thus $T \in B(X)$. To show that T_n converges to T , fix $\varepsilon > 0$. For all $x \in X$ such that $\|x\|_X \leq 1$, there exists a sufficiently large N such that for all $x \in X$, if $n > N$ then

$$\|T(x) - T_n(x)\|_X < \varepsilon \implies \|T - T_n\|_{\text{op}} < \varepsilon$$

Thus we can conclude that $B(X, X)$ is complete.

Lemma 4. If $T \in B(X, X)$ such that $\|I - T\|_{\text{op}} < 1$, then T is invertible and

$$T^{-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (I - T)^i$$

Suppose that $T \in B(X, X)$ and $\|I - T\|_{\text{op}} < 1$. Let $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a Cauchy sequence in $B(X, X)$ defined by

$$a_n = \sum_{i=0}^n (I - T)^i$$

We verify that this sequence is Cauchy. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $\|I - T\|_{\text{op}} < 1$, there exists natural N such that

$$\frac{\|I - T\|_{\text{op}}^N}{1 - \|I - T\|_{\text{op}}} < \varepsilon$$

Let $m, n > N$ and suppose that $m < n$. Then

$$\|a_n - a_m\|_{\text{op}} = \left\| \sum_{i=0}^n (I - T)^i - \sum_{i=0}^m (I - T)^i \right\|_{\text{op}} = \left\| \sum_{i=m+1}^n (I - T)^i \right\|_{\text{op}}$$

By the triangle inequality and Lemma 1,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{i=m+1}^n (I - T)^i \right\| &\leq \sum_{i=m+1}^n \|(I - T)^i\| \leq \sum_{i=m+1}^n \|I - T\|^i = \|I - T\|^{m+1} \sum_{i=0}^{n-m-1} \|I - T\|^i \\ &= \|I - T\|^{m+1} \frac{1 - \|I - T\|^{n-m}}{1 - \|I - T\|} \end{aligned}$$

$1 - \|I - T\|^{n-m} < 1$, so

$$\|I - T\|^{m+1} \frac{1 - \|I - T\|^{n-m}}{1 - \|I - T\|} < \frac{\|I - T\|^{m+1}}{1 - \|I - T\|} < \frac{\|I - T\|^N}{1 - \|I - T\|} < \varepsilon$$

We see that (a_n) is indeed a Cauchy sequence.

By Lemma 4, $B(X, X)$ is complete, so (a_n) converges, meaning that $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (I - T)^i$ exists. Now, notice that

$$T \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (I - T)^i \right) = (I - (I - T)) \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (I - T)^i \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (I - T)^i - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (I - T)^{i+1} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} ((I - T)^i - (I - T)^{i+1})$$

This is a telescoping series. As $i \rightarrow \infty$, $(I - T)^i \rightarrow 0$. Thus

$$T \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (I - T)^i \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} ((I - T)^i - (I - T)^{i+1}) = I$$

Thus $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (I - T)^i$ is the inverse of T , which implies that T^{-1} exists.

Now we can show that $B(X)$ is open.

Let $T \in B(X)$. Consider the open ball $B(T, \frac{1}{\|T^{-1}\|_{\text{op}}})$. For all $S \in B(T, \frac{1}{\|T^{-1}\|_{\text{op}}})$,

$$\|T - S\|_{\text{op}} < \frac{1}{\|T^{-1}\|_{\text{op}}} \implies \|T - S\|_{\text{op}} \|T^{-1}\|_{\text{op}} < 1$$

By Lemma 1, we have that

$$1 > \|T - S\|_{\text{op}} \|T^{-1}\|_{\text{op}} \geq \|(T - S)T^{-1}\|_{\text{op}} = \|I - ST^{-1}\|_{\text{op}}$$

By Lemma 4, ST^{-1} is invertible. If we let $S^{-1} = T^{-1}(ST^{-1})^{-1}$, we see that

$$SS^{-1} = S(T^{-1}(ST^{-1})^{-1}) = (ST^{-1})(ST^{-1})^{-1} = I$$

Thus S is invertible, which means that $S \in B(X)$. Therefore $B(X)$ is open.

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17. The magic number lemma.

Let (X, d) be a metric space and let $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ be an open cover of X ; this means that each U_i is an open subset of X , and that $X = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$. A **magic number** for $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ is a number $\delta > 0$ with the following property: if $A \subseteq X$ is a set with $\text{diam}(A) < \delta$, then $A \subseteq U_i$ for at least one index $i \in I$.

Suppose that (X, d) is a clustering metric space. Prove that every open cover has a magic number.

Proof. Suppose that (X, d) is a clustering metric space. Suppose for the sake of contradiction that there exists an open cover $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ that doesn't have a magic number.

For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there is $A_n \subseteq X$ with $\text{diam} A_n < \frac{2}{n}$ so that $A_n \not\subseteq U_i$ for all indices $i \in I$. Since $\text{diam} A_n < \frac{2}{n}$, we can cover A_n with an open ball $B(a_n, \frac{1}{n})$, where a_n is some element in X .

Define a sequence $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in X such that a_n is equal to the one above.

By the clustering property of X , (a_n) has a convergent subsequence, which will be redefined as (a_n) . Denote the limit of (a_n) as p .

p is an element of X , so it is contained in some U_i in the open cover. Since U_i is open, we can find $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $B(p, \varepsilon) \subseteq U_i$. As well, since (a_n) converges to p we can find infinitely many entries of the sequence within the open ball $B(p, \frac{\varepsilon}{2})$. Thus we can find a large enough n such that $n > \frac{2}{\varepsilon}$, which gives $\frac{1}{n} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$, and still have that a_n is $\frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ -close to p .

Now, consider the open ball $B(a_n, \frac{1}{n})$. We will show that $B(a_n, \frac{1}{n}) \subseteq B(p, \varepsilon)$.

Let $x \in B(a_n, \frac{1}{n})$. Then $d(x, a_n) < \frac{1}{n} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$, so we have

$$d(x, p) \leq d(x, a_n) + d(a_n, p) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon \implies x \in B(p, \varepsilon)$$

which is what we wanted.

Recall that the set A_n is covered by $B(a_n, \frac{1}{n})$. Then we have

$$A_n \subseteq B(a_n, \frac{1}{n}) \subseteq B(p, \varepsilon) \subseteq U_i$$

contradicting the fact that $A_n \not\subseteq U_i$. Thus every open cover has a magic number.

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