

Homework 04

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Instruction. Do not submit part B.

A Homework Problems

1. Let V be the space \mathbb{C}^2 with the standard inner product $\langle (a_1, a_2), (b_1, b_2) \rangle = a_1 \bar{b}_1 + a_2 \bar{b}_2$. Let $T : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$ be the linear transformation defined by $T(1, 0) = (1, -2)$ and $T(1, 1) = (i, -1)$. Let T^* be the adjoint of T . Find $T^*(x_1, x_2)$ for any $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2$.

2. Let V be an inner product space, and let $y, z \in V$. Define $T : V \rightarrow V$ by $T(x) = \langle x, y \rangle z$ for all $x \in V$. Prove that T is linear, show that T^* exists, and find an explicit expression for T^* .

Remark. Using Dirac's bra-ket notation, T could be written as $|z\rangle \langle y|$.

3. Let V be an inner product space and $T : V \rightarrow V$ be a linear transformation such that T^* exists. Prove that:

(a) $T^*T = 0$ implies $T = 0$.

(b) $R(T^*)^\perp = N(T)$.

(c) If W is a T -invariant subspace of V , then W^\perp is a T^* -invariant subspace of V .

B Supplementary Problems

4. Let $(V, \langle -, - \rangle)$ be a Hilbert space over \mathbf{F} and V' the space of bounded linear functionals on V equipped with the valued-wise addition and scalar multiplication. By Riesz representation theorem, every element in V' is of the form $f_v : V \rightarrow \mathbf{F}$ where $v \in V$ and $f_v(x) = \langle x, v \rangle$ for all $x \in V$. Define

$$\langle -, - \rangle_{\text{op}} : V' \times V' \rightarrow \mathbf{F}, \quad \langle f_v, f_w \rangle_{\text{op}} = \langle v, w \rangle.$$

Prove that $(V', \langle -, - \rangle_{\text{op}})$ is a Hilbert space.

5. Let $(V, \langle -, - \rangle)$ be a non-zero inner product space over \mathbf{F} and $L : V \rightarrow \mathbf{F}$ a linear functional. Prove that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup\{|L(h)| : \|h\| \leq 1\} \\ &= \sup\{|L(h)| : \|h\| = 1\} \\ &= \sup\{|L(h)|/\|h\| : h \in V, h \neq 0\} \\ &= \inf\{c > 0 : |L(h)| \leq c\|h\|, h \text{ in } V\}. \end{aligned}$$

Denote this number by $\|L\|_{\text{op}}$, called the *operator norm* of L . Prove $|L(x)| \leq \|L\|_{\text{op}}\|x\|$ for all $x \in V$.

Remark. The operator norm defines a norm on the space of bounded linear functional V' . In fact, it is easy to see that $(V', \|\cdot\|_{\text{op}})$ is the normed space induced by the Hilbert space $(V', \langle -, - \rangle_{\text{op}})$ defined in (4).

6. Let $(V, \langle -, - \rangle)$ be a non-zero inner product space. Fix $y \in V$ and define $L : V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ by $L(x) = \langle x, y \rangle$. Prove that L is a bounded linear functional and $\|L\|_{\text{op}} = \|y\|$. Deduce for any $v \in V$, there is a bounded linear functional $L : V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ such that $\|L\|_{\text{op}} = 1$ and $L(v) = \|v\|$. (the norm of a functional L is defined in (5).)

Remark. This result holds as well if V is just a normed space, but the proof uses the Hahn-Banach theorem. In fact, even the existence of a non-zero bounded linear map on a normed space requires Hahn-Banach theorem in general; see [Karagila, 2020].

7. Let $(V, \langle -, - \rangle)$ be a non-zero inner product space over \mathbb{C} and $L : V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a bounded linear map. Prove that the real part $\text{Re } L : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and the imaginary part $\text{Im } L : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of L are bounded \mathbb{R} -linear functionals with $\|\text{Re } L\|_{\text{op}} = \|\text{Im } L\|_{\text{op}} = \|L\|_{\text{op}}$.
8. Let $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be an inner product space. Suppose that $T : V \rightarrow V$ is a linear operator satisfying properties:

- (a) T is an abstract projection, i.e. $T^2 = T$.
 (b) $\|T(x)\| \leq \|x\|$ for all $x \in V$.

Show that T is an orthogonal projection from V to some subspace W .

9. **(Hodge decomposition)** Let U, V, W be three finite-dimensional inner product spaces. Let

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} U & \xrightarrow{S} & V & \xrightarrow{T} & W \\ & \xleftarrow{S^*} & & \xleftarrow{T^*} & \\ & & V & & \end{array}$$

be a sequence of linear transformations such that $TS = 0$ and T^*, S^* are adjoint of T, S , respectively. Let $\Delta : V \rightarrow V$ equal $SS^* + T^*T$ and let $H = \ker(\Delta)$. Show that

$$H = \ker(T) \cap \ker(S^*)$$

and V has a natural orthogonal decomposition as

$$V = H \oplus \text{Im}(S) \oplus \text{Im}(T^*)$$

with orthogonal decompositions

$$\ker(T) = H \oplus \text{Im}(S)$$

and

$$\ker(S^*) = H \oplus \text{Im}(T^*).$$

10. Let $(V, \langle -, - \rangle)$ be a non-complete inner product space over \mathbb{F} . Prove that there is a bounded linear functional $L : V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ such that there are no $v \in V$ satisfy $L(x) = \langle x, v \rangle$ for all $x \in V$.

Definition B.1. Let $(V, \langle -, - \rangle)$ be an inner product space and $\{v_n\}$ a sequence in V . We say

1. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n$ *converges absolutely* if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|v_n\|$ converges in \mathbb{R} .
2. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n$ *converges unconditionally* if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_{\sigma(n)}$ converges for every bijection $\sigma : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$.

11. Let $(V, \langle -, - \rangle)$ be an inner product space and $\{v_n\}$ a sequence in V such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n$ converges unconditionally. Prove that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_{\sigma(n)}$ converges to the same element in V for every bijection $\sigma : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$. (*Hint: Prove that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n$ converges unordered to some element $v \in V$, that is, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a finite set $I \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ such that for every finite set $J \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ containing I , we have $\|v - \sum_{n \in J} v_n\| < \varepsilon$.*)
12. Let $(V, \langle -, - \rangle)$ be a Hilbert space and $\{v_n\}$ a sequence in V such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n$ converges absolutely. Prove that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|v_n\|$ converges unconditionally.
13. For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $e_n : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ be the element in $l^2(\mathbb{N})$ defined by $e_n(m) = \delta_{mn}$ for all $m \in \mathbb{N}$. Prove that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1} e_n$ converges unconditionally in $l^2(\mathbb{N})$, but $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|n^{-1} e_n\|$ diverges. Deduce that if $(V, \langle -, - \rangle)$ is a Hilbert space, then the following statements are equivalent:
 - (a) Absolute convergence is equivalent to unconditional convergence in V .
 - (b) V is finite-dimensional.

References

[Karagila, 2020] Karagila, A. (2020). Zornian functional analysis or: How i learned to stop worrying and love the axiom of choice.