

Functional Analysis and PDE

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Chapter 1

Introduction

Functional Analysis is the analysis on infinite dimensional spaces. Applications of FA are in geometry and topology, probability theory, numerical analysis mathematical physics, and PDEs.

Example.

$C^2(U)$, $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is the set of functions which are 2 times differentiable and have a bounded derivative. U should be a bounded, open set. Consider $f \rightarrow 0$ on ∂U and

$$\Delta = \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} \right)^2.$$

Fix $f \in C(U)$ and look for a solution $u \in C^2(U)$, s.t.

$$\Delta u = f, \quad u = \delta^{-1} f.$$

What is the inverse operator δ^{-1} in this case? That's what we need to study here.

Program of the lecture

- Structures: We need to define *Topologies*, *Metrics*, *Norms* and *Scalarproducts* on infinite-dimensional spaces
- We introduce *Functional Spaces* as infinite-dimensional vector spaces of functions
- We need to talk about *Linear Operators* to be able to talk about their inverse (see ??)

Chapter 2

Structures

We consider *convergence*. We have already seen

$$x_n \rightarrow x \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists n_0 \forall n > n_0 : x_n \in (x - \varepsilon, x + \varepsilon)$$

In order to do so, we need the definition of a neighbourhood (topology), distances (metric), the length of a vector (norm, Banach spaces), the length and angles (scalar product, Hilbert spaces).

All vector spaces we consider should base on $\mathbb{K} \in \{\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}\}$!

2.1 Topological spaces

Let X be a set, let 2^X the set of all possible subsets of X (including the empty set).

Definition 2.1 (Topology). A Topology \mathcal{T} on the set X is a family of subsets of X , that means

$$\mathcal{T} \subseteq 2^X,$$

satisfying

T1 $\emptyset, X \in \mathcal{T}$

T2 Stability under finite intersection:

$$\forall A, B \in \mathcal{T} : A \cap B \in \mathcal{T}$$

T3 Stability under any possible union: Let \mathcal{I} be some set of indices (may not be countable). Then

$$\forall \{A_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \subseteq \mathcal{T} : \bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}} A_i \in \mathcal{T}$$

Any subset $A \subset X$ is called an *open set*, if $A \in \mathcal{T}$. Else it is called a *closed set*.

(X, \mathcal{T}) is called a *topological space*!

Remark 2.2. Note that

$$\left(\bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}} A_i \right)^c = \bigcap_{i \in \mathcal{I}} A_i^c$$

for all families of open sets $\{A_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$ and each index-set \mathcal{I} .

Definition 2.3 (Coarser / finer topologies). Let $\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_2$ be two topologies on X with $\mathcal{T}_1 \subset \mathcal{T}_2$, then we say that

- \mathcal{T}_1 is *coarser* / *weaker* than \mathcal{T}_2
- \mathcal{T}_2 is *finer* / *stronger* than \mathcal{T}_1

Example.

a) $\mathcal{T} = 2^X$ is a topology on $X \Rightarrow 2^X$ is the strongest (finest) topology on X .

Also $\mathcal{T} = \{\emptyset, X\}$ is a topology on $X \Rightarrow$ any topology \mathcal{T}' needs to contain \emptyset and X , so $\mathcal{T} \subset \mathcal{T}'$. This means that \mathcal{T} is the weakest / coarsest topology on X

b) On \mathbb{R} there is a standard topology \mathcal{T}_{st} :

$$V \in \mathcal{T}_{st} \text{ iff } \forall x \in V \exists \varepsilon > 0 : (x - \varepsilon, x + \varepsilon) \subset V$$

c) relative topology: Let $A \subset X$, let \mathcal{T} be a topology on X . Then

$$\mathcal{T}_A \{A \cup V : V \in \mathcal{T}\}$$

- d) Intersection of topologies: Let \mathcal{I} an index set (may be uncountable), let $(\mathcal{T}_i)_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$ be a family of topologies on X . Then we can define

$$\bigcap_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{T}_i$$

and this is again a topology on X !

- e) Product topology: Let (X, \mathcal{T}_X) and (Y, \mathcal{T}_Y) two topological spaces. Let

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(V, X) \mid V \in \mathcal{T}_X\} \cup \{(X, W) \mid W \in \mathcal{T}_Y\}.$$

The product topology on $X \times Y$ is the coarsest (weakest) topology on $X \times Y$, that contains \mathcal{S} . In particular it must contain all sets of the form $U \times V$ for $U \in \mathcal{T}_X, V \in \mathcal{T}_Y$.

Remark 2.4. If nothing else is said, we consider the standard topology \mathcal{T}_{st} on \mathbb{R} !

Definition 2.5 (Closure / boundary of a set). Let (X, \mathcal{T}) topological space, $A \in X$.

The *interior* of A , A° is the largest open set inside

$$A = \bigcup_{V \in \mathcal{T}, V \subseteq A} V \text{ (open).}$$

The *closure* of A , \bar{A} is the smallest closed set containing

$$A = \bigcup_{V \text{ s.t. } V^c \in \mathcal{T}, V \supseteq A} V \text{ (closed).}$$

The *boundary* of A is given by

$$\partial A = \bar{A} \setminus A^\circ = \bar{A} \cap \underbrace{(X \setminus A^\circ)}_{(A^c)^c} \text{ (closed).}$$

Definition 2.6 (dense set / separable set). (X, \mathcal{T}) topological space in X . Then

- $A \subset X$ is called *dense in X* , if $\bar{A} = X$
- X is called *separable*, if there is a countable dense subset of X

Definition 2.7 (open neighbourhood). (X, \mathcal{T}) topological space, $x \in X$. A subset $V \subseteq X$ is called an open neighbourhood of x , if $V \in \mathcal{T}$ and $x \in V$.

Definition 2.8 (Convergence in topology). Let (\mathcal{T}, X) topological space. A sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, i.e. a map

$$\begin{aligned} x : \mathbb{N} &\rightarrow X \\ n &\rightarrow x_n, \end{aligned}$$

converges to $x^* \in X$, if

$$\forall V \text{ open neighbourhood of } x^* : \{n \mid x_n \in V^c\} \text{ is finite}$$

(i.e. there is just a finite number of elements that's not contained in V). Then we say that x^* is a limit point for the sequence x_n .

Example.

- a) Let \mathcal{T} the standard topology on \mathbb{R} . Then the definition of converges equals the ε - δ -Definition of convergence in Analysis 3.
- b) If $\mathcal{T} = 2^X$, then $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ iff x_n is constant up to a finite number of terms: As we have $\mathcal{T} = 2^X$ especially the set $V = \{x^*\}$ is open. This set gives us the result.
- c) If $\mathcal{T} = \{\emptyset, X\}$, then every sequence is convergent! Every point $x^* \in X$ is a limit point.

Definition 2.9 (Hausdorff space). Let (X, \mathcal{T}) topological space. It is called a Hausdorff space, if

$$\forall x, y \in X, x \neq y \exists U_x, U_y \in \mathcal{T} \text{ s.t. } x \in U_x, y \in U_y \text{ and } U_x \cap U_y = \emptyset.$$

Proposition 2.10 (Limits in Hausdorff spaces are unique)

If (X, \mathcal{T}) is a Hausdorff space, then every sequence has at most one limit, so either the sequence has no limit or it is unique!

PROOF. Proof can be done by contradiction. ■

Definition 2.11 (Connectedness). A topological space (X, \mathcal{T}) is *connected*, if we cannot write it as a union of 2 disjoint(!) (nonempty) open sets. So, if X is connected and $V \in \mathcal{T}$ is an open set, there is no $\emptyset \neq W \in \mathcal{T}$ with $V \cap W = \emptyset$ and $V \cup W = X$.

$A \subseteq X$ is connected, if A is connected in \mathcal{T}_A .