

TATE'S LINEAR ALGEBRA

In this chapter we explore linear topologies in vector spaces in order to introduce Tate spaces and their structure. Tate spaces will be central in the definition of abstract residues in Chapter 2 and the study of algebraic curves in Chapter 3. We follow definitions in [BDo4] closely but not religiously.

1.1 LINEAR TOPOLOGIES

Fix a ground field k . From now on, a vector space will always mean a k -vector space.

Definition 1.1. A **linear topology** on a vector space V is a separated (Hausdorff) topology invariant under translations that admits an open local base around zero of vector subspaces. A vector space equipped with a linear topology will be referred as **linearly topologized**.

If we endow k with the discrete topology then V will become a topological vector space. From now on, endow k with the discrete topology.

Linear topologies behave nicely under basic topological operations.

Proposition 1.2. *Let V be a linearly topologized vector space. Then*

- (a) *Any vector subspace of V is linearly topologized under its subspace topology.*
- (b) *If $W \subseteq V$ is a closed vector subspace then V/W is linearly topologized under its quotient topology.*
- (c) *If $\{V_\alpha\}_\alpha$ is a collection of linearly topologized vector spaces its product $\prod_\alpha V_\alpha$ and its direct sum $\bigoplus_\alpha V_\alpha$ is linearly topologized under its product topology.*
- (d) *If W is a vector subspace of V , then its topological closure \overline{W} also is a vector subspace of V .*

Proof. Since intersection of vector subspaces is a vector subspace, (a) follows intersecting the fundamental system of neighborhoods in V by the vector subspace. For (b), let $\pi: V \rightarrow V/W$

be the quotient map. Since π is open and surjective the image of a local base is a local base; moreover, the image of a vector subspace under π is a vector subspace. In addition, since W is closed then V/W is Hausdorff. Now, for (c) let $\{U_{\alpha,\beta}\}_\beta$ be a local base of zero in V_α of vector subspaces, the products $U_{\alpha_1,\beta_1} \times \dots \times U_{\alpha_n,\beta_n} \times \prod_\gamma V_\gamma$, where γ ranges over $\alpha \neq \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$, for any set $\{(\alpha_1, \beta_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \beta_n)\}$ form a fundamental system of neighborhoods around zero in $\prod_\alpha V_\alpha$ of open vector subspaces. Note that since $\bigoplus_\alpha V_\alpha \subseteq \prod_\alpha V_\alpha$ is a vector subspace (c) follows from (a). Finally, for (d), suppose $x, y \in \overline{W}$, then, for every open vector subspace U , $(x + U) \cap W \neq \emptyset$ and $(y + U) \cap W \neq \emptyset$, therefore for every $\alpha, \beta \in k$ we have $(\alpha x + U) \cap W \neq \emptyset$ and $(\beta y + U) \cap W \neq \emptyset$. Hence, $(\alpha x + \beta y + U) \cap W \neq \emptyset$ for every open vector subspace U and every pair $\alpha, \beta \in k$. It follows (d). \square

Remark 1.3. If we let LinTop_k denote the category of linearly topologized vector spaces over k (where morphisms are given by continuous linear homomorphisms) the previous proposition implies existence of kernels and arbitrary products; whence, existence of limits.

Linear topologies are discrete over a finite dimensional vector space.

Proposition 1.4. *A finite dimensional linearly topologized vector space V is discrete.*

Proof. Let U be an open vector subspace and $0 \neq x \in U$, since V is separated there exists an open vector subspace U_x such that $x \notin U_x$. Thus, $\dim U_x \cap U < \dim U$. Since V is finite dimensional this process can be repeated only a finite amount of times; that is $\{0\}$ is open. It follows that V is discrete. \square

Commensurability

We introduce a partial order in the set of vector subspaces of a vector space V .

Definition 1.5. For vector subspaces A and B of a vector space V we say that $A \prec B$ if the quotient $A/(A \cap B) \cong (A + B)/B$ is finite dimensional (or equivalently $A \subseteq B + W$ for some finite dimensional W). In addition, we say that A and B are **commensurable** (denoted $A \sim B$) if $A \prec B$ and $B \prec A$.

Observe that $A \sim B$ if and only if $(A + B)/(A \cap B) \cong A/(A \cap B) \oplus B/(A \cap B)$ is finite dimensional. We will constantly refer to a vector space V being finite dimensional as $V \sim 0$.

Proposition 1.6. *Let V be a vector spaces and A, B and C be vector subspaces, then:*

(a) *If $A \sim B$ and $B \sim C$ then*

$$\frac{A + B + C}{A \cap B \cap C} \sim 0$$

(b) *If $A \prec B$ and $B \prec C$ then $A \prec C$. Moreover, commensurability is an equivalence relation.*

Proof. Consider the following exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow \frac{A \cap B}{A \cap B \cap C} \rightarrow \frac{B}{B \cap C},$$

and,

$$0 \rightarrow \frac{A \cap B}{A \cap B \cap C} \rightarrow \frac{A + B}{A \cap B \cap C} \rightarrow \frac{A + B}{A \cap B} \rightarrow 0$$

induced by inclusions. The first inclusion plus the fact that $B \sim C$ imply that $(A \cap B)/(A \cap B \cap C)$ is finite dimensional. Now, since $A \sim B$ it follows that $(A + B)/(A \cap B)$ is finite dimensional. Hence, the second exact sequence concludes that $(A + B)/(A \cap B \cap C) \sim 0$. A symmetrical argument shows that $(B + C)/(A \cap B \cap C) \sim 0$. These prove (a). For (b), the inclusion

$$0 \rightarrow \frac{A + C}{A \cap C} \rightarrow \frac{A + B + C}{A \cap B \cap C}$$

plus (a) implies transitivity. \square

Now, we state and prove some useful properties on the relation \prec .

Lemma 1.7. (a) *If $A \subseteq B$ then $A \prec B$.*

(b) *If $A \prec B$ then $f(A) \prec f(B)$ for any k -linear map f*

(c) *It holds that*

$$\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \prec \bigcap_{j=1}^n B_j \iff A_i \prec B_j \text{ for all } i \text{ and } j.$$

Proof. First, (a) is immediate from the definition of \prec . Second, for (b) the map f factors as

$$A/(A \cap B) \rightarrow f(A)/(f(A) \cap f(B)) \rightarrow 0$$

Finally, for (c), if $\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \prec \bigcap_{j=1}^n B_j$ holds then by (a) above, for all i and j we have

$$A_i \prec \sum_{i=1}^m A_i \prec \bigcap_{j=1}^n B_j \prec B_j$$

On the other hand, if $A_i \prec B_j$ for all i and j then there exist finite dimensional subspaces W_{ij} such that $A_i \subseteq B_j + W_{ij}$ for all i and j . Therefore,

$$\sum_{i=1}^m A_i \subseteq \bigcap_{j=1}^n B_j + \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij}. \quad \square$$

Next, we consider another useful lemma.

Lemma 1.8. *Let A, B, A', B' be vector subspaces of a vector space V and suppose that $A \sim A'$ and $B \sim B'$. Then $A + B \sim A' + B'$ and $A \cap B \sim A' \cap B'$.*

Proof. The following exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \frac{A + A' + B + B'}{A \cap A' \cap B \cap B'} \rightarrow \frac{A + A'}{A \cap A'} \oplus \frac{B + B'}{B \cap B'} \rightarrow \frac{A + A' + B + B'}{(A \cap A') + (B \cap B')} \rightarrow 0$$

plus $A \sim A'$ and $B \sim B'$ imply that both spaces

$$\frac{A + A' + B + B'}{A \cap A' \cap B \cap B'} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{A + A' + B + B'}{(A \cap A') + (B \cap B')}$$

are finite dimensional. Since, $(A + A' + B + B')/(A + A') \cap (B + B')$ is a quotient of the second space and $((A \cap A') + (B \cap B'))/((A \cap A') \cap (B \cap B'))$ is a subspace of the first space we can conclude $A + B \sim A' + B'$ and $A \cap B \sim A' \cap B'$. \square

If we consider the set of equivalence classes of \sim on a vector space V then \prec is a partial order on it and by [Lemma 1.8](#) above it inherits operations \cap and $+$.

Linear compactness

Definition 1.9. Let V be a linearly topologized vector space. A closed subset $L \subseteq V$ is **linearly compact** (respectively **linearly cocompact**) if for every open vector subspace U we have $L \prec U$ (respectively $V/(L + U) \sim 0$).

Remark 1.10. Linear compactness was introduced by S. Lefschetz in his influential [Lef42] in different terms. Namely, a linearly topologized vector space V is said to be linearly compact if for every collection of closed cosets X_α ; that is, $X_\alpha = W_\alpha + x_\alpha$ where W_α is a vector subspace of V and $x_\alpha \in V$, having the finite intersection property follows that $\bigcap_\alpha X_\alpha \neq \emptyset$. In this terms, linear compactness feels like a natural generalization of compactness for linearly topologized vector spaces. We extend this discussion in Remark 1.27.

Linear compactness behaves just as compactness if one uses the correct words.

Proposition 1.11. *Let V be a linearly compact vector space, then*

- (a) *If $A \subseteq V$ is a vector subspace such that for every open vector subspace U of V it holds $A \prec U$ then \overline{A} is linearly compact.*
- (b) *If $f: V \rightarrow W$ is a continuous linear homomorphism then $\overline{f(V)}$ is linearly compact.*
- (c) *If V is discrete then $V \sim 0$.*
- (d) *Every closed vector subspace of V is linearly compact.*
- (e) (Tychonov) *If $\{V_\alpha\}_\alpha$ is a collection of linearly compact vector spaces then its product $\prod_\alpha V_\alpha$ and its direct sum $\bigoplus_\alpha V_\alpha$ are linearly compact.*

Proof. Let U be any open vector subspace of V , then $A + U$ is closed, that is $A + U = \overline{A + U} \supseteq \overline{A} + U \supseteq A + U$, thus, $\overline{A} + U = A + U$. Since, $(A + U)/U \sim 0$ then $(\overline{A} + U)/U \sim 0$. We get (a).

For (b), since f is a continuous linear map $V \prec f^{-1}(U)$ for all U open vector subspace of W , hence by Lemma 1.7 $f(V) \prec U$ for all open vector subspaces U of W . By the previous observation and (a) we get (b). If V is discrete, then $\{0\}$ is an open vector subspace of E , thus $V \prec U$, we get (c).

For (d), if $A \subseteq V$ is a closed vector subspace, and $V \prec U$ for all open vector subspaces U by [Lemma 1.7](#) we get $A \prec U$.

Finally, for (d), it is enough proving for open vector subspaces $U = \prod_{\beta} U_{\beta} \times \prod_{\gamma} V_{\gamma}$ where β ranges over a finite set, γ ranges over $\alpha \neq \beta$ and U_{β} is an open vector subspace of V_{β} . Then, the quotient

$$\prod_{\alpha} V_{\alpha} / U \cong \prod_{\beta} V_{\beta} / U_{\beta}$$

where \cong is a topological and algebraic isomorphism. Since V_{α} is linearly compact for all α and β ranges over a finite set we conclude that $\prod_{\alpha} V_{\alpha} / U$ is finite dimensional; therefore, $\prod_{\alpha} V_{\alpha}$ is linearly compact. The proof is analogous for $\bigoplus_{\alpha} V_{\alpha}$. \square

Completion

Definition 1.12. Let V be a linearly topologized vector space. Given a local base of open vector subspaces \mathcal{U} we will say that a collection $(x_U)_{U \in \mathcal{U}}$ is a **net indexed by \mathcal{U}** . We will say that $(x_U)_{U \in \mathcal{U}}$ converges to x if for any $U \in \mathcal{U}$ there exists a $W \in \mathcal{U}$ such that for every $U' \subseteq W$ and $U' \in \mathcal{U}$

$$x_{U'} - x \in U.$$

Remark 1.13. The previous definition can be generalized to an arbitrary topological space and nets indexed by any directed set. In our particular case, the directed set $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{U}^{\text{op}}$.

We now introduce Cauchy nets and completion.

Definition 1.14. A net $(x_U)_{U \in \mathcal{U}}$ in a linearly topologized vector space indexed by an open local base \mathcal{U} of open vector subspaces is said to be **Cauchy** if for every U open vector subspace of zero there exists $W \in \mathcal{U}$ such that for every $U_1, U_2 \in \mathcal{U}$ and $U_1, U_2 \subseteq W$ we have $x_{U_1} - x_{U_2} \in U$.

Definition 1.15. If V be a linearly topologized vector space, we say that V is said to be **complete** if

$$V \cong \varprojlim_{U \in \mathcal{U}} V/U$$

for an open local base of vector subspaces \mathcal{U} . We leave unproven that this definition is independent of the choice of \mathcal{U} . Details can be found in [include reference](#). Moreover, V is complete if and only if every Cauchy net is convergent. One can see this by identifying the inverse limit as a subspace of the product.

Complete this! (no pun intended)

1.2 TATE SPACES

Lattices

Definition 1.16. If V is a linearly topologized vector space we say that a **c-lattice** is an open linearly compact subspace of V , *dually* a discrete linearly cocompact subspace is a **d-lattice**.

First, we prove that existence of a c-lattice in a linearly topologized vector space is equivalent to existence of a d-lattice.

Proposition 1.17. *A linearly topologized vector space V has a c-lattice if and only if it has a d-lattice.*

Proof. Suppose L is a c-lattice in V , choose any direct complement D of L , that is, $V = L \oplus D$. Since L is open, then D is discrete as $D \cap L = 0$, thus 0 is open in D . Moreover, D is closed as it is the fiber of 0 under the projection $V \rightarrow L$ (which is continuous because L is open). Finally, we check that D is linearly cocompact: let U be any open vector subspace of V , the composition $L \hookrightarrow V \twoheadrightarrow V/(D+U)$ induces a surjection

$$L/(L \cap U) \twoheadrightarrow V/(D+U)$$

thus, since $\dim L/(L \cap U) < \infty$ we conclude $\dim V/(D+U) < \infty$.

Now, suppose D is a d-lattice. Thus, there exists an open vector subspace U such that $U \cap D = 0$. This time, choose L a direct complement for D containing U . Then, the projection $V \rightarrow D$ is continuous because U goes to zero. Therefore, L is open. Now we check linear compactness. Let U be any open vector subspace, the composition $V \twoheadrightarrow L \twoheadrightarrow L/(L \cap U)$ induces a surjection

$$V/(D + (L \cap U)) \twoheadrightarrow L/(L \cap U)$$

since both L and U are open, also $L \cap U$, thus $\dim V/(D + (L \cap U)) < \infty$. It follows, $\dim L/(L \cap U) < \infty$ and L linearly compact. \square

Remark 1.18. Note that in the proof of [Proposition 1.17](#) it is not strictly necessary to choose a direct complement, one can choose a direct complement up to finite dimension; that is, $L + D \sim V$ and $L \cap D \sim 0$.

We now give a characterization of lattices in terms of \prec .

Proposition 1.19. *If V admits a c-lattice, then the set of c-lattices constitutes a base of zero of mutually commensurable vector subspaces.*

Proof. If L and L' are two c-lattices in V then $L \prec L'$ and $L' \prec L$ because both are open; therefore, all c-lattices are commensurable. Moreover, if U is any open vector subspace and L is a c-lattice we claim that $L \cap U$ is a c-lattice. Indeed, let U' be any open vector subspace, then $L \cap U \prec L \prec U'$. In addition, since L and U are open, $L \cap U$ is open. Thus $L \cap U \subseteq U$ is a c-lattice, this proves the statement. \square

We're now ready to introduce the definition of a Tate space.

Definition 1.20. A **Tate space** V is a complete linearly topologized vector space that admits a c-lattice. By the previous proposition and the observation in [Definition 1.15](#) we get

$$V \cong \varprojlim_{L \in \mathcal{U}} V/L$$

where \mathcal{U} runs through all c-lattices of V .

Example 1.21. We give some examples of Tate spaces.

- (a) Any vector space endowed with the discrete topology is a Tate space.
- (b) If $\{V_\alpha\}_\alpha$ is any pro-system of finite dimensional vector spaces (thus, each one endowed with the discrete topology by [Proposition 1.4](#)), let V be their inverse limit endowed with the inverse limit topology. We claim that this is a linearly compact space. Indeed, if we realize V as a subspace of the product $\prod_\alpha V_\alpha$, then basic open vector subspaces are just restriction of finite coordinates. Hence, the quotient of V by any basic open vector subspace is a finite product of V_α , since all V_α are finite dimensional we conclude that V is linearly compact and therefore a Tate space.
- (c) Let $V = k((t))$ with the topology generated by letting $t^n k[[t]]$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ be a system of neighborhoods of zero. Then, $V = k[[t]] \oplus tk[t^{-1}]$ where $k[[t]]$ is the completion of $k[x]$ in the $\langle x \rangle$ -adic topology, hence by the previous item linearly compact and, since it is open is a c-lattice. By the argument given in [Proposition 1.17](#) $tk[t^{-1}]$ is a d-lattice. Therefore, V is a Tate space that is not linearly compact nor discrete.

Duality

If V is a Tate space we consider the following topology on the dual space V^* (where by dual space we mean topological dual). Open vector subspaces are given by

$$L^\perp = \{\phi \in E^* : \phi|_L = 0\}$$

where L is a linearly compact subspace. Equivalently, one can define open vector subspaces in E^* to be D^* where D a direct complement of a linearly compact vector subspace L in E (in this case $D^* \hookrightarrow E^*$ using the decomposition $L \oplus D$).

First, we prove that the word *dually* in [Definition 1.9](#) actually makes sense.

Lemma 1.22. *Duality interchanges linearly compact with discrete spaces and vice-versa.*

Proof. If L is a linearly compact vector space, then L^\perp is open in L^* , thus L^* is discrete. If D is discrete, then $D \cong k^{\oplus \Lambda}$ for some Λ and endowing $k^{\oplus \Lambda}$ with the discrete topology the previous isomorphism is a homeomorphism too. Moreover, since D is discrete every linear functional is continuous. Using [Remark 1.3](#) and the well known identity (where maps are isomorphisms in LinTop_k)

$$(k^{\oplus \Lambda})^* = \text{Hom}_k(k^{\oplus \Lambda}, k) \cong \prod_{\Lambda} \text{Hom}_k(k, k) \cong \prod_{\Lambda} k$$

we get the desired result by Tychonov's theorem in [Proposition 1.11](#). \square

Remark 1.23. A closer look in the proof of the previous lemma indicates that the dual space of a discrete space is always complete.

Proposition 1.24. *If V is a Tate space then V^* with the topology previously introduced is also a Tate space.*

Proof. If we decompose $V = L \oplus D$ where L is a c-lattice and D a d-lattice then $V^* \cong L^* \oplus D^*$ and by [Lemma 1.22](#) L^* is discrete and D^* is linearly compact. Observe that D^* is open in V^* since it is the kernel of the projection $V^* \rightarrow V^*/L^\perp$ and V^*/L^\perp is discrete by the description of our topology in the dual V^* . Since L^* is discrete, then it is complete. Moreover, by the previous remark, D^* is complete, hence V^* is complete too. \square

We're ready to prove the analog of Pontryagin's duality for Tate spaces.

Theorem 1.25. *For a Tate space V the canonical map $V \rightarrow V^{**}$ is an isomorphism.*

Proof. It is enough to prove it for complete linearly compact spaces and discrete spaces, as every Tate space can be decomposed into a direct sum of a c-lattice and a d-lattice. First, we do it for discrete spaces. Suppose D is a discrete vector space. Then, the canonical map

$$\text{ev}: D \rightarrow D^{**}$$

is open and continuous because D and D^{**} are both discrete by [Lemma 1.22](#). Moreover, it is injective, because for every nonzero $v \in D$ there exists a linear continuous functional $\phi \in D^*$ such that $\phi(v) \neq 0$. Finally, we prove surjectivity. Let $\psi \in D^{**}$. Since $\ker \psi$ is open it contains a basic open vector subspace A^\perp such that $A \subseteq D$ is a linearly compact subspace. Therefore, since D^* is linearly compact it follows that $D^* \sim A^\perp$, that is, the quotient D^*/A^\perp is finite dimensional. Recall that the inclusion $\iota: A \rightarrow D$ induces an isomorphism $D^*/A^\perp \rightarrow A^*$ which is a homeomorphism since both spaces are discrete. We can factor ψ so that the following diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D^* & \xrightarrow{\psi} & k \\ \downarrow & \nearrow \tilde{\psi} & \\ D^*/A^\perp & & \\ \cong \downarrow & \nearrow \bar{\psi} & \\ A^* & & \end{array}$$

However, A^* is finite dimensional, therefore, there exists $a \in A$ such that $\bar{\psi} = \text{ev}_a$ as maps from $A^* \rightarrow k$. Moreover, since $A^\perp \subseteq \ker \psi$ we conclude that $\psi = \text{ev}_a$ as maps $D^* \rightarrow k$. This implies surjectivity. Thus $D \rightarrow D^{**}$ is an isomorphism of topological vector spaces.

Now, suppose L is a complete linearly compact space. We check first that the map

$$\text{ev}: L \rightarrow L^{**}$$

is continuous. Let A^\perp be an open vector subspace in L^{**} where $A \subseteq L^*$ is a linearly compact subspace. By [Lemma 1.22](#) L^*

is discrete, hence A is finite dimensional. Suppose that $A = \text{span}(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)$ for some $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n \in A$. Then, $\text{ev}^{-1}(A^\perp) = \ker \phi_1 \cap \dots \cap \ker \phi_n$ which is open in L . Now, we check that ev is injective. Let $v \in L$ be a nonzero vector. Choose a decomposition of $L = U \oplus F$ where U is open and F is finite dimensional containing v (this can be done because L is separated and linearly compact). Let ϕ be a linear functional such that restricted to U is zero and $\phi(v) \neq 0$. Since U is open and F discrete such ϕ exists and it is continuous. This implies injectivity of ev . Now we check that ev is surjective. Let \mathcal{U} is an open local base of vector subspaces. Let $\psi: L^* \rightarrow k$ be a continuous linear functional. By pulling back $\pi_U: L \rightarrow L/U$ we get an injection $\pi_U^*: (L/U)^* \hookrightarrow L^*$ for every $U \in \mathcal{U}$. Since L is linearly compact, then L/U is finite dimensional, thus, there exists $v_U \in L$ such that $\psi \circ \pi_U^* = \text{ev}_{x_U}$ where $\text{ev}: L/U \rightarrow (L/U)^*$. In particular, observe that if $U, U' \in \mathcal{U}$ and $U' \subseteq U$ we get an induced surjection $(L/U)^* \twoheadrightarrow (L/U')^*$ such that the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & L^* & \xrightarrow{\psi} k \\
 & \uparrow & \nearrow \text{ev}_{x_{U'}} \\
 (L/U')^* & & \\
 \uparrow & & \nearrow \text{ev}_{x_U} \\
 (L/U)^* & &
 \end{array}$$

commutes. Observe that this implies that $(v_U)_{U \in \mathcal{U}}$ is a Cauchy net. Indeed, let $U \in \mathcal{U}$ and $W = U$ as in [Definition 1.14](#). Let $U_1, U_2 \subseteq U$ and $U_1, U_2 \in \mathcal{U}$. Notice that commutativity of the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & & & \text{ev}_{x_U} \\
 & & & & \curvearrowright \\
 & & (L/U_1)^* & \xrightarrow{\text{ev}_{x_{U_1}}} & L^* \\
 & \nearrow & & \searrow & \nearrow \psi \\
 (L/U)^* & \xrightarrow{\quad} & L^* & \xrightarrow{\quad} & k \\
 & \searrow & & \nearrow \text{ev}_{x_{U_2}} & \\
 & & (L/U_2)^* & \xrightarrow{\quad} & L^* \\
 & & & & \curvearrowleft \text{ev}_{x_U}
 \end{array}$$

implies that $(x_U)_{U \in \mathcal{U}}$ is Cauchy, since $\text{ev}_{x_{U_1}} = \text{ev}_{x_{U_2}}$ coincide in $(L/U)^*$. By completeness there exists $x \in L$ limit of $(x_U)_{U \in \mathcal{U}}$. We claim that $\psi = \text{ev}_x$. Let $\phi \in L^*$. Then, $\ker \phi$ is open and there exists $U \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $U \subseteq \ker \phi$ and by linear compactness $U \sim L$. Hence, if we factor ϕ as follows

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L & \xrightarrow{\phi} & k \\ \pi_U \downarrow & \nearrow \phi_U & \\ L/U & & \end{array}$$

since L/U is discrete we conclude that ϕ_U is continuous. In other words, the image of ϕ_U under the inclusion $(L/U)^* \hookrightarrow L^*$ is ϕ . Thus, $\psi(\phi) = \phi_U(x_U + U) = \phi(x_U)$. We claim that $\psi(\phi) = \phi(x)$. Indeed, convergence of (x_U) implies that there exists a $W \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $W \subseteq U$ and $x - x_W \in U$. Thus, $\psi(\phi) = \phi_W(x_W + W) = \phi(x_W) = \phi(x)$, since $U \subseteq \ker \phi$. This implies surjectivity of $\text{ev}: L \rightarrow L^{**}$. To conclude, we prove that ev is open. Let U be any open vector subspace in L , thus $L = U \oplus F$ for some F finite dimensional. We claim that $\text{ev}(U) = (F^*)^\perp$. First, the inclusion $\text{ev}(U) \subseteq (F^*)^\perp$ is immediate. Let $\psi \in (F^*)^\perp$. Let $x \in L$ such that $\text{ev}_x = \psi$. Write $x = u + f$ where $u \in U$ and $f \in F$. Hence, $\text{ev}_x = \text{ev}_u + \text{ev}_f$. Since ev is injective, it follows that there exists some $\phi \in F^*$ such that $\phi(f) \neq 0$ if f is nonzero. Therefore, $f = 0$ and $\psi \in \text{ev}(U)$. This concludes the proof. \square

Remark 1.26. Observe that completeness cannot be dropped in the definition of a Tate space while preserving duality. Indeed, if V is linearly compact but not complete its dual is discrete by [Lemma 1.22](#) and by [Remark 1.23](#) its double dual is complete, hence $V \rightarrow V^{**}$ cannot be an isomorphism. In fact, during the proof of the duality theorem we checked that V^{**} is the completion of V .

Remark 1.27. We now discuss definitions of linearly compact spaces as given in [\[Lef42\]](#) and [\[BDo4\]](#). In [\[Lef42\]](#) it is proven that a linearly compact vector space is immediately complete while our definition does not imply it necessarily. However, when V is a complete space both definitions coincide. Indeed, Lefschetz proves that every linearly compact space is the dual of a discrete space which coincides with our definition of a complete linearly compact vector space by [Theorem 1.25](#). Therefore, his definition of a **locally linearly compact vector space** (that is, a linearly topologized vector space admitting a linearly compact vector space) coincides with our notion of Tate space.

Morphisms

A **morphism** of Tate spaces is a continuous linear homomorphism between Tate spaces.

Definition 1.28. A morphism $f: V \rightarrow W$ of Tate spaces is said to be **linearly compact** if the closure of $f(V)$ is linearly compact in W . Dually, it is **discrete** if $\ker f$ is open in V .

First, we check the duality natural property for morphisms of Tate spaces.

Proposition 1.29. A morphism $f: V \rightarrow W$ of Tate spaces is linearly compact if and only if f^* is discrete.

Proof. Suppose f^* is linearly compact, then $\ker f^* = f(V)^\perp$. However, if $\phi \in W^*$ and $\phi(f(V)) = 0$ then $\phi(\overline{f(V)}) = 0$ by continuity of ϕ . Therefore, $\ker f^* = \overline{f(V)}^\perp$ which is open because $\overline{f(V)}$ is linearly compact. Now, suppose f^* is discrete. Thus, $\ker f^*$ contains a basic open subspace A^\perp such that A is linearly compact in W . Therefore, $\overline{f(V)} \subseteq A$ then $\overline{f(V)} \subseteq A$ and by item (c) in [Proposition 1.11](#) $\overline{f(V)}$ is linearly compact. \square

Discrete and linearly compact operators form a 2-sided ideal in Hom ; that is

Proposition 1.30. If f is a linearly compact operator (respectively discrete) then its composition with an arbitrary morphism of Tate spaces is also linearly compact (respectively discrete).

Proof. Let $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \xrightarrow{h} D$ be morphisms of Tate spaces such that g is linearly compact. Then, $g \circ f(A) \subseteq \overline{g(B)}$ which is linearly compact, thus $\overline{g \circ f(A)}$ is linearly compact too. On the other hand, note that $h(\overline{g(B)}) \subseteq \overline{h \circ g(B)}$; therefore $\overline{h(g(B))} = \overline{h \circ g(B)}$. However, $\overline{g(B)}$ is linearly compact and by item (b) in [Proposition 1.11](#) $\overline{h(g(B))}$ is linearly compact. In addition, the statement for discrete operators follows from the previous proposition. \square

Remark 1.31. If f is a compact operator and g is a discrete operator, then gf is **finite**; that is, $\dim gf(V) < \infty$.

Proof. We have $\overline{f(V)} \prec \ker g$, therefore, $\overline{f(V)} / (\overline{f(V)} \cap \ker g)$ is finite dimensional. We have a surjection

$$\frac{\overline{f(V)}}{\overline{f(V)} \cap \ker g} \rightarrow gf(V)$$

which implies that gf is finite. \square

Definition 1.32. Let V and W be Tate spaces. We denote $\text{Hom}_+(V, W)$ to be the set of linearly compact morphisms and $\text{Hom}_-(V, W)$ the set of discrete ones. Also, set $\text{Hom}_0(V, W)$ to be $\text{Hom}_+(V, W) \cap \text{Hom}_-(V, W)$.

Proposition 1.33. *The sets $\text{Hom}_-(V, W), \text{Hom}_+(V, W)$ and $\text{Hom}_0(V, W)$ are vector subspaces of $\text{Hom}(V, W)$. Moreover,*

$$\text{Hom}_-(V, W) + \text{Hom}_+(V, W) = \text{Hom}(V, W).$$

Proof. Let L be a c-lattice in V and consider $\pi: V \rightarrow L$ be a continuous linear projection. Then π realized as an element of $\text{End}(V)$ satisfies $\pi \in \text{End}_+(V)$ and $1 - \pi \in \text{End}_-(V)$. Hence, by [Proposition 1.30](#) for every $f \in \text{Hom}(V, W)$ $f \circ \pi$ and $f \circ (1 - \pi)$ are linearly compact and discrete respectively. It follows

$$\text{Hom}_-(V, W) + \text{Hom}_+(V, W) = \text{Hom}(V, W).$$

The other statements are immediate. □

I'll include further theory if necessary.

TRACE AND RESIDUE

We extend the definition of trace to a certain class of infinite dimensional operators to define an abstract residue. We follow the original structure in Tate's elegant article [Tat68] while translating his statements in the language of Tate's Linear Algebra.

2.1 FINITEPOTENT MAPS AND THEIR TRACE

Let k be a fixed ground field and V a vector space over k . In this section we will expand the notion of trace of a linear endomorphism to include certain operators even when V is infinite dimensional.

Finitepotent maps

Definition 2.1. We will say a linear map $f: V \rightarrow V$ is **finitepotent** if

$$\dim f^n(V) < \infty$$

for sufficiently large n .

We characterize finitepotent maps as follows.

Lemma 2.2. *A linear map $f: V \rightarrow V$ is finitepotent if and only if there exists a subspace $W \subseteq V$ such that*

- (i) $\dim f(W) < \infty$,
- (ii) $f(W) \subseteq W$,
- (iii) *the induced map $\bar{f}: V/W \rightarrow V/W$ is nilpotent.*

Proof. If f is finitepotent choose $W = f^n(V)$ for sufficiently large n . The first condition follows from definition. Also, $f(W) = f^{n+1}(V) \subseteq f^n(V) = W$. In addition, $\bar{f}^n = 0$. On the other hand, if such W exists, note that condition (ii) assures that \bar{f} is well defined. Moreover, as \bar{f} is nilpotent, $f^n V \subseteq W$ for sufficiently large n and by condition (i) above $\dim f^n(V) < \infty$. \square

Trace

If f is a finitepotent map and W is as above, $\text{tr}_V(f) \in k$ may be defined as $\text{tr}_W(f)$ where $\text{tr}_W(f)$ is the ordinary trace of f viewed as an endomorphism of W (which is defined since f has finite-rank viewed in $\text{End}(W)$). First, we will check that this definition does not depend on the choice of W . Suppose $W_1, W_2 \subseteq V$ suffice the properties on [Lemma 2.2](#), then $W = W_1 + W_2$ suffices them too. Hence, as the induced maps on W/W_1 and W/W_2 are nilpotent, they have zero ordinary trace and since

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}_W(f) &= \text{tr}_{W_1}(f) + \text{tr}_{W/W_1}(f) \\ \text{tr}_W(f) &= \text{tr}_{W_2}(f) + \text{tr}_{W/W_2}(f),\end{aligned}$$

we obtain $\text{tr}_{W_1}(f) = \text{tr}_{W_2}(f)$, our desired result.

This definition extends some of the properties of the ordinary trace.

Lemma 2.3. (a) *If $\dim V < \infty$, any endomorphism f is finitepotent and $\text{tr}_V(f)$ coincides with the ordinary trace.*

(b) *If f is nilpotent, then it is finitepotent and $\text{tr}_V(f) = 0$.*

(c) *If f is finitepotent and U is a subspace such that $f(U) \subseteq U$ then the induced maps on U and V/U are finitepotent and satisfy*

$$\text{tr}_V(f) = \text{tr}_U(f) + \text{tr}_{V/U}(f)$$

Proof. Both (a) and (b) are immediate. For (c) if W suffices the properties in [Lemma 2.2](#) for f then $W \cap U$ and $(W + U)/U$ suffice them for the induced maps, that is, they're finitepotent. Since $W/(W \cap U) \cong W + U/U$, the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} W/(W \cap U) & \xrightarrow{\cong} & (W + U)/U \\ \downarrow f & & \downarrow f \\ W/(W \cap U) & \xrightarrow{\cong} & (W + U)/U \end{array}$$

commutes and trace is invariant under conjugation, we get $\text{tr}_{W/(W \cap U)}(f) = \text{tr}_{(W + U)/U}(f)$. Hence

$$\text{tr}_V(f) = \text{tr}_W(f) = \text{tr}_{W \cap U}(f) + \text{tr}_{(W + U)/U}(f) = \text{tr}_U(f) + \text{tr}_{V/U}(f)$$

□

Definition 2.4. A subspace F of $\text{End}_k(V)$ is said to be a **finitepotent subspace** if there exists an n such that for any family of n elements $f_1, \dots, f_n \in F$, the space $f_1 f_2 \cdots f_n V$ is finite dimensional.

The following is the natural linearity property for tr .

Proposition 2.5. *If F is a finitepotent subspace then $\text{tr}_V: F \rightarrow k$ is k -linear*

Proof. It is enough to prove it in the case that F is finite dimensional. Let $W = F^n V$ for n as in the definition of finitepotent subspace, thus $\dim W < \infty$. Hence, for all $f \in F$, W suffices the conditions in [Lemma 2.2](#). It follows that $\text{tr}_V(f) = \text{tr}_W(f)$ which is linear. \square

Remark 2.6. In his paper, Tate asked if general linearity for finitepotent maps followed. His question was answered negatively in [\[ASTo7\]](#) where general linearity is reduced to the following: if the sum of two nilpotent endomorphisms is finitepotent, is the sum necessarily traceless?

Proposition 2.7. *If $f, g \in \text{End}_k(V)$ and fg is finitepotent then gf is also finitepotent and*

$$\text{tr}_V(fg) = \text{tr}_V(gf).$$

Proof. Since fg is finitepotent let $W = (fg)^n V$ for sufficiently large n has finite dimension. On the other hand, $(gf)^{n+1} V = g(fg)^n f(V) \subseteq g(W)$, therefore, gf is also finitepotent. Let $W' = (gf)^n V$, then $g(W') \subseteq W$ and $f(W) \subseteq W'$. Thus,

$$\dim W' \leq \dim g(W) \leq \dim W,$$

and,

$$\dim W \leq \dim f(W) \leq \dim W',$$

which implies that $W \cong W'$ and that g and f induce mutually inverse isomorphisms between W and W' . Moreover, the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} W & \xrightarrow{fg} & W \\ \downarrow g & & \downarrow g \\ W' & \xrightarrow{gf} & W' \end{array}$$

commutes. We conclude $\text{tr}_W(fg) = \text{tr}_{W'}(gf)$ and it follows $\text{tr}_V(fg) = \text{tr}_V(gf)$. \square

2.2 DIFFERENTIAL CALCULUS

In this section we introduce the theory of derivations and differentials over an arbitrary commutative ring A . Let M be a R -module and k a commutative ring. We follow [GD64] Section 20 and [Mat86] Section 25.

Definition 2.8. A **derivation** from A to M is a map $D: A \rightarrow M$ satisfying properties

- (i) $D(f + g) = D(f) + D(g)$ and,
- (ii) (*Leibniz's Rule*) $D(fg) = fD(g) + gD(f)$

for all $f, g \in A$. The set of derivations from A to M becomes a A -module in a natural way. We will write it as $\text{Der}(A, M)$. Moreover if A is a k -algebra through a map $\varphi: k \rightarrow A$ we say that D is a **k -derivation** if D is a derivation and $D \circ \varphi = 0$. In this case, the set of all k -derivations is denoted $\text{Der}_k(A, M)$.

If $M = A$, we will denote $\text{Der}_k(A, A)$ simply by $\text{Der}_k(A)$. In particular, if D and D' are two k -derivations then its bracket $[D, D'] = DD' - D'D$ under composition as $A \rightarrow A$ maps is also a k -derivation. Therefore, $\text{Der}_k(A)$ under this structure is a Lie Algebra.

Definition 2.9. Let B be a k -algebra and C an ideal in B with $C^2 = 0$; set $A = B/C$. In this way, C can be viewed as a A -module. In this situation we say that B is an **extension** of the k -algebra A by the A -module C . Usually, we simply write the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow C \rightarrow B \xrightarrow{\pi} A \rightarrow 0$$

As usual, we will say that such sequence **splits** if there exists a retraction; that is, a k -algebra homomorphism $\rho: A \rightarrow B$ such that $\pi \circ \rho = 1_A$. In this case we can identify $B = C \oplus A$. Conversely, starting from any k -algebra A and any A -module C , one can always define a structure on $A \oplus C$ such that the extension (2.9) splits. Namely,

$$(a, c)(a', c') = (aa', ac' + a'c)$$

for $a, a' \in A$ and $c, c' \in C$. Common notations for this algebra are $D_A(C)$ or $A * C$.

Definition 2.10. Given a commutative diagram of k -algebras

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B & \xrightarrow{f} & A \\ & \nwarrow h & \uparrow g \\ & & C \end{array}$$

thinking of f as a fixed map. In this situation we say that h is a **lifting** of g to B .

Proposition 2.11. Suppose we're given a commutative diagram as in the previous definition with an additional lifting $h' : C \rightarrow B$. Then, if $K = \ker f$ satisfies $K^2 = 0$ it follows that $h - h' : C \rightarrow K$ is a k -derivation. Conversely, if $D \in \text{Der}_k(C, K)$ then $h + D$ is another lifting of g to B .

Proposition 2.12.

Theorem 2.13. If A is a k -algebra, consider the covariant functor from the category Mod_A to itself given by $M \mapsto \text{Der}_k(A, M)$. This functor is representable.

Proof. Let $\mu : A \otimes_k A \rightarrow A$ be the k -algebra homomorphism given by $f \otimes g \rightarrow fg$. Set

$$I = \ker \mu, \quad \Omega_{A/k} = I/I^2, \quad \text{and,} \quad B = (A \otimes_k A)/I^2.$$

Thus, μ induces $\mu' : B \rightarrow A$

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega_{A/k} \rightarrow B \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0$$

an extension of A by $\Omega_{A/k}$. We claim that this extension splits. Moreover it has two splittings, by considering retractions

$$j_1 : A \rightarrow B \quad \text{and,} \quad j_2 : A \rightarrow B,$$

defined by $a \mapsto a \otimes 1 \bmod I^2$ and $a \mapsto 1 \otimes a \bmod I^2$. □

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Suppose that V is a Tate space and consider $E = \text{End}_k(V)$ the space of continuous endomorphisms of V . Thus, by [Proposition 1.30](#) and [Proposition 1.33](#) we have 2-sided ideals E_0, E_+ and E_- of E such that $E_+ + E_- = E$ and $E_0 = E_+ \cap E_-$. Moreover, [Remark 1.31](#) implies that E_0 is a finitepotent subspace.

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