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**Exercise 6.1** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  and  $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$  be Banach spaces and let

$$A: D_A \subset X \to Y, \qquad B: D_B \subset X \to Y$$

be linear operators with  $D_A \subset D_B$ . Suppose that there exist  $a \in (0,1)$  and  $b \geq 0$  such that

$$||Bx||_Y \le a||Ax||_Y + b||x||_X$$
 for every  $x \in D_A$ .

Show that if A has closed graph, then  $(A + B): D_A \to Y$  has closed graph.

**Exercise 6.2** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  and  $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$  be Banach spaces. Let  $A: D_A \subset X \to Y$  be a closable linear operator. Assume that its closure  $\overline{A}$  is injective. Show that then the inverse operator  $A^{-1}$  is closable and  $\overline{A^{-1}} = (\overline{A})^{-1}$ .

**Exercise 6.3** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  be a Banach space and  $U \subset X$  a closed subspace. Recall the notion of topologically complemented space introduced in Exercise 4.3. Prove that:

- (i) If  $\dim(U) < \infty$ , then U is topologically complemented.
- (ii) If  $\dim(X/U) < \infty$ , then U is topologically complemented.

**Exercise 6.4** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  be a normed space and let  $f: X \to \mathbb{R}$  be linear and not identically zero.

- (i) Show that f is not continuous if and only if ker(f) is dense in X.
- (ii) Find an explicit example for X and f as in (i).

**Exercise 6.5** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  be a normed space and let  $\varphi \colon X \to \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous linear functional. Assume  $N := \ker(\varphi) \subsetneq X$  and let  $x_0 \in X \setminus N$ . Prove that the following are equivalent.

- (i) There exists  $y_0 \in N$  with  $||x_0 y_0||_X = \text{dist}(x_0, N)$ .
- (ii) There exists  $x_1 \in X$  with  $||x_1||_X = 1$  and  $||\varphi|| = |\varphi(x_1)|$ .

**Exercise 6.6** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X) = (C^0([-1,1]), \|\cdot\|_{C^0([-1,1])})$ . Recall the map  $\varphi \colon X \to \mathbb{R}$  given by

$$\varphi(f) = \int_0^1 f(t) dt - \int_{-1}^0 f(t) dt$$

from Exercise 3.2. Consider its kernel  $N := \{ f \in X \mid \varphi(f) = 0 \}$  and some  $x_0 \in X \setminus N$ . Show that N is closed. Show that there does not exist any  $y_0 \in N$  such that

$$||x_0 - y_0|| = \operatorname{dist}(x_0, N).$$

## Hints to Exercises.

- **6.1** Start by proving that  $(Ax_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is Cauchy.
- **6.3** When working with finite dimensional vector spaces, you may always argue with bases and dual bases.
- **6.5** Start by recalling the first isomorphism theorem for linear maps.