

Exercise Sheet № 11

Task 11.2: Examples of adjoint operators

Determine the adjoint operator to

i) $T: \ell^1(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \ell^1(\mathbb{R})$ where

$$(\xi_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \mapsto \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \xi_k, 0, 0, \dots \right)$$

ii) $S: \ell^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \ell^2(\mathbb{R})$ where

$$(Tx)_k = \frac{1}{k^2} \sum_{j=1}^k \xi_j$$

iii) $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where X is a real normed space

Subtask i): Let $y^* \in \ell^1(\mathbb{R})^* \simeq \ell^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ and $x \in \ell^1(\mathbb{R})$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle T^* y^*, x \rangle_X &= \langle y^*, Tx \rangle_Y = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} y_k \langle Tx \rangle_k = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \delta_k y_k \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \xi_j = y_1 \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \xi_k \\ &\implies y^* \xrightarrow{T^*} (y_1, y_1, \dots) \end{aligned}$$

Subtask ii): Let $y^* \in \ell^2(\mathbb{R})^* \simeq \ell^2(\mathbb{R})$ and e_l be the l -th unit vector in $\ell^2(\mathbb{R})$:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle S^* y^*, e_l \rangle_X &= \langle y^*, T e_l \rangle_Y = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} y_k \frac{1}{k^2} \sum_{j=1}^k e_{l,j} \\ k < l &\implies e_{l,j} = 0 \quad k \geq l \implies \sum_{j=1}^k e_{l,j} = 1 \\ &\implies \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} y_k \frac{1}{k^2} \sum_{j=1}^k e_{l,j} = \sum_{k=l}^{\infty} \frac{y_k}{k^2} \\ &\implies y^* \xrightarrow{T^*} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{y_k}{k^2}, \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{y_k}{k^2}, \dots \right) \end{aligned}$$

Subtask iii):

Task 11.3: Arithmetic with adjoint operators

Let X, Y and Z be normed spaces and $T, S \in L(X, Y)$ and $R \in L(Y, Z)$. Prove the following statements

i) $(T + S)^* = T^* + S^*$

Subtask i): Let $y^* \in X^*$ and $x \in X$:

$$\langle (T + S)^* y^*, x \rangle_X = \langle y^*, (T + S)x \rangle_Y = \langle y^*, Tx \rangle_Y + \langle y^*, Sx \rangle_Y = \langle T^* y^*, x \rangle_X + \langle S^* y^*, x \rangle_X$$