

Final next Wednesday. Ch 1 \rightarrow 11 (Review on Friday).

III) Property of operator $K (\approx L^{-1})$

Recall we found integral operator

$$Kf(t) = \int_a^b k(t,s) f(s) ds$$

where $k(t,s)$ is continuous and symmetric. And if $f \in C^0[a,b]$, then $Kf(t)$ is $C^2[a,b]$ solution of $Lu = f$ with boundary conditions.

We know $K: L^2(a,b) \rightarrow L^2(a,b)$ is compact Hermitian. By spectral theorem, there is a complete orthonormal sequence $(e_j)_{j=1}^\infty$ in $L^2(a,b)$ which are eigenfunctions of K with eigenvalue λ_j (we know $\lambda_j \xrightarrow{j \rightarrow \infty} 0$). In particular, $Ke_j = \lambda_j e_j$.

How do translate back to L ?

Intuition if $e_j \in C^0([a,b]) \Rightarrow Ke_j \in C^2([a,b]) \Rightarrow e_j \in C^2([a,b])$
 $\Rightarrow L(Ke_j) = e_j \Rightarrow \lambda_j L(e_j) = e_j \Rightarrow L(e_j) = \frac{1}{\lambda_j} e_j$

First, we show:

Lemma: $K: L^2(a,b) \rightarrow C^0(a,b)$

Proof: For $\varepsilon > 0$. There is $\delta > 0$ s.t.

$$|k(t_1, s) - k(t_2, s)| < \varepsilon \quad \text{if} \quad |t_1 - t_2| < \delta \quad \text{and} \quad s \in [a,b].$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, for } f \in L^2(a,b), \quad |Kf(t_1) - Kf(t_2)| &= \left| \int_a^b (k(t_1, s) - k(t_2, s)) f(s) ds \right| \\
 &\leq \int_a^b \varepsilon |f(s)| ds \leq \varepsilon \left(\int_a^b 1^2 ds \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_a^b |f(s)|^2 ds \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (CS) \\
 &= \varepsilon \sqrt{b-a} \|f\|_{L^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

so $Kf(t)$ is continuous. \square

Remark: If (e_j) are eigenfunction in $L^2(a,b)$, then $e_j \in C^0([a,b])$.
 (assuming $Ke_j = \lambda_j e_j$; $\lambda_j \neq 0$)

Now we find $e_j \in C^2([a,b])$ s.t.

$$\begin{cases}
 L(e_j) = \frac{1}{\lambda_j} e_j \\
 \alpha e_j(a) + \alpha' e_j'(a) = 0 \\
 \beta e_j(b) + \beta' e_j'(b) = 0
 \end{cases}$$

To complete the proof, WTS

① 0 is not an eigenvalue for K (or $\ker K = \{0\}$)

② We derived Green's function under assumption that 0 is not eigenvalue of Sturm-Liouville problem. We need to prove this.

③ Thm if 0 is not eigenvalue of Sturm-Liouville $\Rightarrow \ker K = \{0\}$.

Proof: Recall that $\forall g \in L^2(a,b)$.

$$Kg(t) = \int_a^b k(t,s) g(s) ds = u(t) \psi(t) + v(t) \psi(t)$$

where $u(t), v(t)$ are solutions of $Lu = 0$ and

$$\varphi(t) = \frac{1}{W} \int_t^b v(s) g(s) ds$$

$$W = p(u'v - v'u) = \text{Wronskian}$$

$$\psi(t) = \frac{1}{W} \int_a^t u(s) g(s) ds$$

need to show if $kg = 0$, then $g = 0$. If $g \in C^0([a, b])$, then $kg \in C^2([a, b])$. Then

$$(\bullet) \quad kg = u\varphi + v\psi$$

$$(\star) \quad (kg)' = u'\varphi + v'\psi \quad (\text{other 2 are assumed to be 0 by construction})$$

$$\text{if } kg = 0, \text{ then } \begin{pmatrix} u & v \\ u' & v' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varphi \\ \psi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{But Wronskian not 0 so } \begin{pmatrix} u & v \\ u' & v' \end{pmatrix} \neq 0 \Rightarrow \varphi, \psi = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_t^b v(s) g(s) ds = 0, \quad \int_a^t u(s) g(s) ds = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow v(t)g(t) = 0, \quad u(t)g(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow g(t) = 0 \quad \text{b/c } v(t) \text{ and } u(t) \text{ cannot simultaneously be 0 as } W \text{ is not 0.}$$

What if $g \in C^0([a, b])$ (all we know $g \in L^2([a, b])$),

then we know $Kg \in C^0([a,b])$. We need $Kg \in C^1$.

choose $g_k \in C^0([a,b])$ and $\|g_k - g\|_{L^2} \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

then WTS $Kg_k \rightarrow Kg$. (nothing we can do except approx.)

and $(Kg_k)' \rightarrow (Kg)'$. s/c (★)

Then we consider

$$|\varphi_k(t) - \varphi(t)| = \frac{1}{|W|} \int_a^b v(s) (g_k(s) - g(s)) ds$$

relat bound to a to b

$$\leq \frac{1}{|W|} \int_a^b |v(s)| \cdot |g_k(s) - g(s)| ds$$

$v(s) \in C^2$ so must have a max M

$$\leq \frac{1}{|W|} M \sqrt{b-a} \|g_k - g\|_{L^2}$$

we are given $g_k \rightarrow g$ so $\varphi_k \rightarrow \varphi$ uniformly.

Same argument for ψ_k and ψ . Also

$Kg_k(t) \rightarrow Kg(t)$ uniformly. (use (★)).

Next, consider $(Kg_k)' = u'(t) \varphi_k(t) + v'(t) \psi_k(t)$.

$\rightarrow u' \varphi + v' \psi$ uniformly.

(but we don't know $(Kg)'$ exists).

we want to claim $u' \varphi + v' \psi = (kg)'$. To see this, note

$$k g(t) - k g(a) = \int_a^t (u'(s) \varphi_k(s) + v'(s) \psi_k(s)) ds$$

$$\text{As } k \rightarrow \infty \quad k g(t) - k g(a) = \int_a^t u'(s) \varphi(s) + v'(s) \psi(s) ds$$

$$\Rightarrow (kg)' = u' \varphi + v' \psi.$$

By previous argument for $C^0([a,b])$ function, we get

$$\varphi(t) = \int_a^t v(s) g(s) ds = 0, \quad \psi(t) = \int_t^b u(s) g(s) ds = 0.$$

but $g \in L^2$ not C_0 .

Approx $v(s) g(s)$ by a function $f \in L^2(a,b)$.

$$\int_a^t f(s) ds = 0 \Rightarrow f = 0 \text{ a.e.}$$

For $f \in L^2$, we approx f by step function

$$\text{say } f_k = \sum_{j=1}^{N_k} a_j^{(k)} \chi_{[x_{j-1}^{(k)}, x_j^{(k)}]} \quad \text{so } \|f - f_k\|_{L^2} \rightarrow 0$$

Then $\|f - f_k\|^2 = \|f\|^2 + \|f_k\|^2 - 2(f, f_k)$. Now

$$(f, f_k) = \int_a^b f_k(s) f(s) ds = \sum_{j=1}^{N_k} a_j^{(k)} \int_{x_{j-1}^{(k)}}^{x_j^{(k)}} f(s) ds = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \|f\|^2 + \|f_k\|^2 \Rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \|f\| = 0 \Rightarrow f = 0 \text{ a.e.}$$

B/c f approx. $v(s)g(s)$, this shows that

$$vg = 0 \text{ a.e., } ug = 0 \text{ a.e.}$$

v & u are linearly \perp so both can't be 0 \Rightarrow
 $g=0$ a.e. $\Rightarrow g=0$ in L^2 . Then $\ker K \neq 0$. D