

Functional Analysis

Homework 10

Deadline: November 26th _____

1. Problem 1: Compact Operators

(10 points)

Consider the following normed spaces with annexed norms X, Y, Z . Denote by

$$\mathcal{K}(X, Y) = \{A \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y) \mid \overline{T(B_1(0))} \subset Y \text{ compact} \}$$

the set of compact operators from X to Y . Prove the following statements:

- a) $A \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ is compact iff every bounded sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in X has a subsequence $(x_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $(Ax_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges in Y ;
- b) If Y is complete then $\mathcal{K}(X, Y)$ is a closed subspace of $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$;
- c) Let $A \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$, if $A(X)$ is finite dimensional then $A \in \mathcal{K}(X, Y)$;
- d) Let $A \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ and $B \in \mathcal{L}(Y, Z)$. If A or B is compact then $B \circ A$ is compact;
- e) If X is reflexive then any operator $A \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ which maps weakly convergent sequences to norm-convergent sequences is a compact operator.

Hint: Given a Banach space X and $A \subset X$, the Eberlein-Smulian Theorem says that A is weakly compact iff A is weakly sequentially compact (every sequence in A has a weakly convergent subsequence whose limit is also in A)

2. Problem 2

(4 points)

Let $d \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be a bounded subset. Given $k \in L^2(\Omega \times \Omega)$ consider the linear operator $K : L^2(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$ defined as follows

$$(Kf)(x) = \int k(x, y)f(y)dy.$$

Prove that

- a) $Kf \in L^2$ if $f \in L^2$;
- b) K is a compact operator.

Hint: use a result obtained in Problem 1.

3. Problem 3

(6 points)

Let $-\infty < a \leq 0 \leq b < \infty$ and let $A : L^2([a, b]; \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow L^2([a, b]; \mathbb{C})$ be the linear operator defined as follows:

$$(Af)(x) = x^2 f(x).$$

- a) Verify the continuity of A and compute its operator norm;
- b) Prove that A has no eigenvalues;
- c) Show that $\sigma(A) = [0, \|A\|]$.