

Facts about $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ sesq. form on $H/K = \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C}$

• Polarization (cf last time)

suppose $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ positive, self-adjoint. Then $(\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle})$

②: if $K = \mathbb{R}$, $4\langle x, y \rangle = \|x+y\|^2 - \|x-y\|^2$

①: Pythagorean theorem

②: $x \perp y \iff \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{C} \text{ or } \mathbb{R}, \|x\|^2 \leq \|x + \alpha y\|^2$

③: $\|x\|^2 = 0 \iff \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \forall y$

so Definite \iff nondegenerate

④: (Cauchy-Schwarz) $\forall x, y \in H, |\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \cdot \|y\|$.

⑤: if $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ definite, $|\langle x, y \rangle| = \|x\| \cdot \|y\|$ iff $\{x, y\}$ lin. dep.

⑥: $\|\cdot\| : H \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a seminorm. it's a norm exactly when $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ definite.

Exercise: A norm $\|\cdot\|$ on a \mathbb{C} vs comes from an inner product iff

$\|\cdot\|$ satisfies:

$$\|x+y\|^2 + \|x-y\|^2 = 2[\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2] \quad \forall x, y$$

(parallelogram rule)

A Hilbert space is an inner product space which is complete wrt $\|\cdot\|$ ($= \|\cdot\|_2$).

Examples:

① $\ell^2 = \{(x_n) \mid \sum |x_n|^2 < \infty\}$ $\langle x, y \rangle = \sum x_e \bar{y}_e$

② $\ell^2(E) = \{f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \sum_{e \in E} |f(e)|^2 < \infty\}$

③ $L^2(X, \mu) = \{\text{mble } f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \int |f|^2 < \infty\} / \sim$ $\langle f, g \rangle = \int f \bar{g}$

From now on, H is a Hilbert space (\mathbb{C}).

Thm Suppose $C \subset H$ is a closed convex set and $z \notin C$.
 $\exists! x \in C$ s.t. $\|z - x\| = \inf_{y \in C} \|z - y\|$

pf By translation, assume $z = 0 \notin C$. Suppose $(x_n) \subset C$
s.t. $\|x_n\| \rightarrow r := \inf_{y \in C} \|y\|$. By the parallelogram law,

$$\left\| \frac{x_m - x_n}{2} \right\|^2 + \underbrace{\left\| \frac{x_m + x_n}{2} \right\|^2}_C = 2 \left[\left\| \frac{x_m}{2} \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{x_n}{2} \right\|^2 \right]$$
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$$C \quad \quad \quad C \quad \quad \quad C \quad \quad \quad C$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \|x_m\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|x_n\|^2$$

$\searrow \quad \quad \quad \searrow$
 $r^2 \quad \quad \quad r^2$

$$\Rightarrow \|x_m - x_n\|^2 = 2 \underbrace{\|x_m\|^2} + 2 \|x_n\|^2 - 4 \left\| \frac{x_m - x_n}{2} \right\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x_n - x_m\|^2 = 2 \underbrace{\|x_m\|^2}_{\rightarrow r^2} + 2 \underbrace{\|x_n\|^2}_{\rightarrow r^2} - 4 \underbrace{\left\| \frac{x_m - x_n}{2} \right\|^2}_{\geq r^2}$$

$\leadsto \limsup_{n,m} \|x_n - x_m\|^2 = 0$, so (x_n) Cauchy.

Since H complete, $\exists x$ s.t. $x_n \rightarrow x$.

Since $\|\cdot\|$ cts, $\|x\|=r$, and $x \in C$ closed.

If $x' \in C$ also has $\|x'\|=r$, then

x, x', x, x', \dots is a seq in C s.t. every term has norm r , so by the preceding argument, it is Cauchy! so $x' = x$. □

For $S \subset H$, let $S^\perp := \{x \in H \mid \langle x, s \rangle = 0 \ \forall s \in S\}$.

Observe: S^\perp is a closed subspace

since $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\| \Rightarrow \langle x, \cdot \rangle$ cts.

let $M \subseteq H$ be a subspace

① $M \cap M^\perp = \{0\}$.

② $(M^\perp)^\perp = \overline{M}$.

Pf if $x \in \overline{M}$, let $(x_n) \subset M$ w/ $x_n \rightarrow x$.

Then $\forall y \in M^\perp$, $\langle x, y \rangle = \lim_n \langle x_n, y \rangle = 0$.

conversely, if $x \in M^\perp$, $\forall y \in M^\perp$, $\langle y, x \rangle = \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = 0$,

so $\overline{M} \subset (M^\perp)^\perp$ (again!)

really conversely, suppose $x \in (M^\perp)^\perp$, then $\langle x, y \rangle = 0 \forall y \in M^\perp$.

\overline{M} is a closed convex set, so if $z \in (M^\perp)^\perp \setminus \overline{M}$, $\exists!$ $x \in \overline{M}$ minimizing dist to z ...

③ $H = M \oplus M^\perp$.