

Functional analysis appendix.

Here we collect some analysis background. The Hilbert spaces are complex (and separable) with $\langle \alpha\psi_1 + b\psi_2, \phi \rangle = \alpha \langle \psi_1, \phi \rangle + b \langle \psi_2, \phi \rangle$
 $\langle \alpha\psi_1 + b\psi_2, \psi \rangle = \bar{\alpha} \langle \psi_1, \psi \rangle + \bar{b} \langle \psi_2, \psi \rangle$

- An operator A is positive iff $\langle \phi, A\phi \rangle \geq 0, \forall \phi$ (Notation: $A \geq 0$).
- If $A \geq 0$, then $A = A^*$.
- If $A \geq 0$, then $\exists!$ $B \geq 0$ s.t. $B^2 = A$. Then we write $B = \sqrt{A}$.
- For any bounded operator A , $A^*A \geq 0$ and one define $|A| \doteq \sqrt{A^*A}$.
- Polar decomposition: Given an operator A , there exists a unique U s.t.
 - a) $A = U \cdot |A|$
 - b) $\|U\psi\| = 0$ for $\psi \in \text{Ker } A$
 - c) $\|U\psi\| = \|\psi\|$ for $\psi \in (\text{Ker } A)^\perp$
- Norm: $\|A\| = \sup_{\|\psi\|_2=1} \|A\psi\|_2 \doteq$ the largest e.v..

A bounded operator A is called finite rank if $\dim(\text{Im}(A)) < \infty$, and $\dim(\text{Im}(A))$ is the rank of A .

A bounded operator is compact iff it is a limit of a finite rank operator (limit = norm limit).

- Spectral theorem: Let A be a compact operator on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} . Then:
 - a) $\sigma(A)$, the spectrum of A , is a discrete set with at most zero as accumulation point,
 - b) all $\lambda \in \sigma(A) \setminus \{0\}$ is an eigenvalue with finite (algebraic / geometric) multiplicity
 - c) $\forall \lambda \in \sigma(A) \setminus \{0\}, \exists$ finite rank projection P_λ s.t.
 - $AP_\lambda = P_\lambda A, \sigma(A|_{P_\lambda \mathcal{H}}) = \{\lambda\}, \sigma(A|_{(I-P_\lambda)\mathcal{H}}) = \sigma(A) \setminus \{\lambda\}$.
 - $\dim(P_\lambda)$ is the (algebraic / geometric) multiplicity of λ .

Theorem (o.n. basis): Let A be a self-adjoint compact operator on \mathcal{H} , then \mathcal{H} has an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors for A .

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(Hilbert space)

Remark: Just to remind the difference between algebraic and geometric multiplicity, consider a finite rank operator A . ②

- Take its Jordan bloc decomposition J_A , then the algebraic multiplicity is the order of the zero of the characteristic polynomial $\det(\lambda I - A) = 0$, and is equal to the number of times that " λ " appears on the diagonal of J_A .
- The geometric multiplicity of " λ " is the number of blocs with eigenvalue " λ " $\equiv \dim \ker(A - \lambda I)$.
- A is diagonalizable iff $\text{geom}(\lambda) = \text{algebr}(\lambda), \forall \lambda$.

Theorem (canonical expansions):

Let A be a compact operator. Then A has a norm-convergent expansion

$$A = \sum_{n \geq 1} \mu_n(A) |\psi_n\rangle \langle \phi_n|,$$

each $\mu_n(A) > 0$, $\mu_1(A) \geq \mu_2(A) \geq \dots$, and the $\{\phi_n\}$, $\{\psi_n\}$ are orthonormal sets (not necessarily complete, i.e., not necessarily bases).

Moreover, $\mu_n(A)$ are uniquely determined and ϕ_n, ψ_n are essentially determined [i.e., up to a change of basis in the subspaces of given μ_n 's].

Notation: $\mu_n(A)$ are called singular values of A .

• The $\mu_n(A)$ are the non-zero eigenvalues of $|A|$.

Weyl's inequality: For any compact operator A and for all n ,

$$\sum_{k=1}^n |\lambda_k(A)| \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \mu_k(A),$$

where $\lambda_k(A)$ are ordered satisfying $|\lambda_1(A)| \geq |\lambda_2(A)| \geq \dots$ (counted up to their algebraic multiplicity).

Proof of the canonical expansion.

Using the polar decomposition, we have $|A| = U^* A$. Since $|A|$ is compact and self-adjoint, by the o.n.basis theorem, we have

$$|A| = \sum_{n \geq 1} \mu_n(A) |\phi_n\rangle \langle \phi_n|, \quad (\mu_n(A) > 0)$$

where $\mu_n(A)$ are the nonzero e.v. of $|A|$ and ϕ_n the associated $\vec{e.v.}$. Since U is an isometry on $\text{Im}(|A|)$, $\psi_n = U \phi_n$ are orthonormal. The uniqueness of $\mu_n(A)$ is due to the fact that $\mu_n(A)^2$ are the non-zero e.v. of $A^* A$ and $A^* A$ is positive. $\{\phi_n\}$ are the $\vec{e.v.}$ of $A^* A$ and $\{\psi_n\}$ are the $\vec{e.v.}$ of $A A^*$. Those vectors are determined uniquely, up to basis transformation in the subspaces of given μ_n 's. #

Trace-class operators.

Theorem A: let \mathcal{H} be a separable Hilbert space and $\{\phi_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ an orthonormal basis of \mathcal{H} . Then, for any positive operator $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$,

(1)
$$\text{Tr}(A) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \langle \phi_n, A \phi_n \rangle,$$

is independent of basis. $\text{Tr}(A)$ is called the trace of A.

Definition: An operator A is called trace-class iff

$\text{Tr}(|A|) < \infty$. The family of all trace-class operators is denoted by \mathcal{J}_1 .

Theorem B: \mathcal{J}_1 is a $*$ -ideal in $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$, i.e.,

- (a) \mathcal{J}_1 is a vector space,
- (b) If $A \in \mathcal{J}_1$ and $B \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$, then $AB \in \mathcal{J}_1$ and $BA \in \mathcal{J}_1$.
- (c) If $A \in \mathcal{J}_1$, then $A^* \in \mathcal{J}_1$.

Remarks: • $\|\cdot\|_1$ norm: Let $\|\cdot\|_1$ be defined on \mathcal{J}_1 by
 $\|A\|_1 = \text{Tr}(|A|)$. Then \mathcal{J}_1 is a Banach space
 with norm $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|A\| \leq \|A\|_1$.

- $A \mapsto \text{Tr}(A)$ is a linear bounded functional on \mathcal{J}_1 and for $A \in \mathcal{J}_1, B \in \mathcal{L}(H)$, $\text{Tr}(AB) = \text{Tr}(BA)$.
- Every $A \in \mathcal{J}_1$ is compact.

Theorem C: Let K be a continuous, positive function on $M \times M$.

If $\int_M K(x,x) d\mu(x) < \infty$, then $\exists!$ operator $A \in \mathcal{J}_1$ st.

$$(A\phi)(x) = \int K(x,y) \phi(y) d\mu(y) \text{ and } \|A\|_1 = \int K(x,x) d\mu(x).$$

• A simple case when an operator A is trace-class, is when it is a product of two Hilbert-Schmidt operators.

Hilbert-Schmidt operators.

Definition: An operator $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ is called Hilbert-Schmidt iff $\text{Tr}(A^*A) < \infty$. The family of Hilbert-Schmidt operators is denoted by \mathcal{J}_2 .

Theorem D: \mathcal{J}_2 is a $*$ -ideal.

Theorem E: Let $H = L^2(M, d\mu)$. If $A \in \mathcal{J}_2$, then there exists a unique function $K \in L^2(M \times M, d\mu \otimes d\mu)$ with

$$(2) \quad (A\phi)(x) = \int K(x,y) \phi(y) d\mu(y).$$

• Conversely, any $K \in L^2(M \times M, d\mu \otimes d\mu)$ defines an operator A by (2) which is Hilbert-Schmidt and

$$(3) \quad \|A\|_2 = \|K\|_2 = \left(\int |K(x,y)|^2 d\mu(x) d\mu(y) \right)^{1/2}.$$

- Remarks:
 - \mathcal{J}_2 with inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2$ is an Hilbert space.
 - Every $A \in \mathcal{J}_2$ is compact.
 - $A \in \mathcal{J}_1$ iff $A = B \cdot C$ for some $B, C \in \mathcal{J}_2$.

• Theorem F: Let B a bounded operator on \mathcal{H} and $\{\phi_n\}, \{\psi_n\}$ be orthonormal basis. Then,

$$(4) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|B\phi_n\|^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\langle \psi_n, A\phi_n \rangle|^2$$

are independent of the basis and are equal. (4) are finite iff $B \in \mathcal{J}_2$ and in that case, $\dots = (4) = \|B\|_2^2$