

EXERCISES 1

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Theorem (Grothendieck).

If  $X$  is a Banach space and  $A \in X$   
 then  $A$  is relatively compact iff  $\exists \{u_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq X$   $u_n \rightarrow 0$  s.t.  
 $A \subseteq \overline{\text{conv}} \{u_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

Square Root of an Operator.

Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space and  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  s.a. and  $A \geq 0$  (that is,  $(Au, u) \geq 0 \forall u \in H$ ).

Then  $\exists ! T \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ ,  $T$  s.a.,  $T \geq 0$  s.t.

$$T^2 = A$$

We write  $T = \sqrt{A}$ .

Remark:  $T$  commutes with any operator which commutes with  $A$ .

Exercise 1 | Let  $X = C[0, 1]$  and let  $A: X \rightarrow X$  be defined by

$$A(u)(x) = \int_0^x u(s) ds \quad \forall u \in X$$

show that  $A \in \mathcal{L}_c(X)$  and find its norm

Proof: Clearly  $A(\cdot)$  is a linear operator.

$$\text{Also } \|A(u)\| = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} \left| \int_0^x u(s) ds \right| \leq \|u\| \quad \forall u \in X \quad \square$$

$$\Rightarrow A \in \mathcal{L}(X) \quad \text{and} \quad \|A\|_{\mathcal{L}} \leq 1.$$

Let  $D \subseteq X$  bounded and let  $u \in A(D)$ . Then for  $t_1, t_2 \in [0,1]$ ,  $t_1 < t_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |u(t_2) - u(t_1)| &= \left| \int_{t_1}^{t_2} v(s) ds \right| \quad v \in D \\ &\leq \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |v(s)| ds \leq M(t_2 - t_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow A(D) \subseteq X \quad \text{equicontinuous.}$$

Also

$$\|u\| = \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 1} \left| \int_0^x v(s) ds \right| \leq \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 1} \int_0^x |v(s)| ds \leq \|v\| \leq M.$$

$$\Rightarrow A(D) \text{ is bounded}$$

By the Arzela-Ascoli theorem we conclude that

$$\overline{A(D)}^{\|\cdot\|} \subseteq X \quad \text{is compact,}$$

$$\Rightarrow A \in \mathcal{L}_c(X).$$

Consider the constant function  $\bar{v}(x) = 1 \quad \forall x \in [0,1]$

Then  $\|v\| = 1$ . We have

$$\|A(\bar{v})\| = \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 1} \left| \int_0^x ds \right| = \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |x| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \|A\|_{\mathcal{L}} = 1$$

QED

Exercise 2: | Let  $X$  be a Banach space,  $A \in \mathcal{L}_c(X)$  and  $A^2 = A$ . Show that  $A \in \mathcal{L}_f(X)$ . L3

Proof: Let  $V = A(X)$  (the range of  $A(\cdot)$ )

Let  $\hat{A} = A|_V$ . If  $v \in V$ , then  $\exists x \in X$  such that

$$A(x) = v,$$

$$\Rightarrow A(A(x)) = A(v),$$

$$\Rightarrow A(x) = A(v),$$

$$\Rightarrow v = A(v).$$

So we have proved that  $\hat{A} = \text{id}$ . Since  $A \in \mathcal{L}_c(X)$

it follows that  $\hat{A} = \text{id} \in \mathcal{L}_c(V)$  and so  $\dim V < \infty$ . Therefore

$A \in \mathcal{L}_f(X)$ .

QED

Exercise 3: | Let  $X, Y, V$  be Banach spaces,  $B: X \times Y \rightarrow V$  a bilinear operator which is separately continuous. Show that  $B(\cdot, \cdot)$  is continuous.

Proof:  $\forall x \in X$   $B_x: Y \rightarrow V$  is defined by  $B_x(y) = B(x, y)$ . Hence

$$B_x \in \mathcal{L}(Y, V)$$

Consider

$$C = \left\{ v^* \circ B_x : \|v^*\|_{V^*} \leq 1, \|x\|_X \leq 1 \right\} \subseteq Y^*$$

Let  $y \in Y$ . Then

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$\{ (v^* \circ B_x)(y) : \|v^*\|_{V^*} \leq 1, \|x\|_X \leq 1 \} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is bounded

$$\left[ \begin{aligned} |(v^* \circ B_x)(y)| &= |v^*(B(x,y))| = |(v^* \circ B_y)(x)| \\ &\leq \|v^*\|_{V^*} \|B_y\|_{\mathcal{L}(X,V)} \|x\| \\ &\leq \|B_y\|_{\mathcal{L}(X,V)} \end{aligned} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow C \in Y^*$  is  $w^*$ -bounded.

By the Uniform Boundedness Principle we have

$$\sup \left[ \|v^* \circ B_x\| : \|v^*\|_{V^*} \leq 1, \|x\|_X \leq 1 \right] = M < \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow |v^* \circ B(x,y)| \leq M \|y\|_Y \quad \forall \|v^*\|_{V^*} \leq 1, \forall \|x\|_X \leq 1,$$

$$\Rightarrow |B(x,y)| \leq M \|y\|_Y \quad \forall \|x\|_X \leq 1,$$

$$\Rightarrow |B(x,y)| \leq M \|x\|_X \|y\|_Y,$$

$\Rightarrow B(\cdot, \cdot)$  is continuous.

QED

Exercise 4: Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space,  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ , s.a.,  $A \geq 0$ . Show that the following statements are equivalent.

- (a)  $A(H)$  is dense in  $H$ .
- (b)  $N(A) = \{0\}$
- (c)  $A(\cdot)$  is positive definite (i.e.,  $(A(u), u) > 0 \quad \forall u \neq 0$ )

Proof: (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b): Let  $Au=0$  So, for all  $h \in H$  we have 5

$$\begin{aligned}(Au, h) &= 0, \\ \Rightarrow (u, A(h)) &= 0, \\ \Rightarrow u &\perp R(A), \\ \Rightarrow u &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $N(A) = \{0\}$

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c): Let  $T = \sqrt{A} \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ . Suppose

$$\begin{aligned}(A(x), x) &= 0, \\ \Rightarrow (T^2(x), x) &= 0, \\ \Rightarrow \|T(x)\|^2 &= 0, \\ \Rightarrow T(x) &= 0, \\ \Rightarrow A(x) = T(T(x)) &= 0, \text{ and so } x = 0.\end{aligned}$$

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) Suppose  $A(H) \subseteq H$  is not dense. Then we can find  $u \in H, u \neq 0$  s.t

$$\begin{aligned}u &\perp A(H), \\ \Rightarrow (u, A(u)) &= (A(u), u) = 0, \\ \Rightarrow u &= 0, \text{ a contradiction}\end{aligned}$$

QED

Exercise 5: Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space,  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ ,  $A$  is s.a and  $A \geq 0$ . Show that  $A$  is bijective iff  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  such that  $A - \epsilon I$  is positive definite.

Proof:  $\Rightarrow$  Let  $T = \sqrt{A}$ . Then  $T$  is bijective. By Banach's Theorem <sup>L6</sup>

$T^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  and so

$$\|T^{-1}(h)\| \leq \theta \|h\| \quad \forall h \in H,$$

$$\Rightarrow \|u\| \leq \theta \|T(u)\| \quad \forall u \in H,$$

$$\Rightarrow \|u\|^2 < 2\theta^2 \|T(u)\|^2 \quad \forall u \in H \setminus \{0\}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_0 \|u\|^2 < (T^2(u), u)$$

for all  $u \in H \setminus \{0\}$ , with  $c_0 = \frac{1}{2\theta^2}$

$$\Rightarrow ((A - c_0 I)(u), u) > 0 \quad \forall u \in H \setminus \{0\}$$

$\Rightarrow T - c_0 I$  is positive definite.

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose  $A - \varepsilon I$  positive definite. Then

$$\varepsilon \|u\|^2 \leq (A(u), u) \quad \forall u \in H,$$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon \|u\|^2 \leq \|T(u)\|^2 \quad \forall u \in H,$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\varepsilon} \|u\| \leq \|T(u)\| \quad \forall u \in H.$$

It follows that  $T(\cdot)$  is injective and  $R(T)$  is

closed. Let  $u \in R(T)^\perp$ . Then

$$(u, T(h)) = 0 \quad \forall h \in H,$$

$$\Rightarrow (T(u), h) = 0 \quad \forall h \in H,$$

$$\Rightarrow T(u) = 0 \quad \text{and so } u = 0,$$

$\Rightarrow T(\cdot)$  is surjective.

$\Rightarrow T(\cdot)$  is bijective,

$\Rightarrow A = T^2$  is bijective.

QED

Exercise 6: Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space and  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  is s.a.  
Suppose that  $(A(u), u) = 0 \quad \forall u \in H$ . Show that  
 $A = 0$ .

Proof: Since  $A$  is s.a we know (Prop. 3.6.16)

$$\|A\|_{\mathcal{L}} = \sup [ |(A(u), u)| : \|u\| \leq 1 ]$$

$\Rightarrow \|A\|_{\mathcal{L}} = 0$  and so  $A = 0$ .

QED

Exercise 7: Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space,  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  is s.a and  
 $A \geq 0$ . Show that  
 $A$  is compact iff  $\sqrt{A}$  is compact

Proof:  $\Rightarrow$  Let  $\{u_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \bar{B}_1$ . Since  $A$  is compact we can find  
 $\{u_{n_k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  subsequence of  $\{u_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that

$$A(u_{n_k}) \rightarrow h \text{ in } H.$$

For every  $x \in H$ , we have

$$\|\sqrt{A}(x)\|^2 = (\sqrt{A}(x), \sqrt{A}(x)) = (A(x), x) \leq \|A(x)\| \cdot \|x\|$$

(since  $\sqrt{A}$  is s.a)

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \|\sqrt{A}(u_{n_k}) - \sqrt{A}(u_{n_\ell})\| &\leq \|A(u_{n_k} - u_{n_\ell})\| \|u_{n_k} - u_{n_\ell}\| \\ &\leq 2 \|A(u_{n_k} - u_{n_\ell})\|, \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \left\{ \sqrt{A}(u_{n_k}) \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \in H$  Cauchy, thus convergent

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{A}$  is compact

$\Leftarrow$  Follows from the ideal property of compact operators (since  $A = \sqrt{A}\sqrt{A}$ ).

QED

Exercise 8: Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space,  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  and  $\|A\|_{\mathcal{L}} \leq 1$ .

Show that (a)  $I - A^*A \geq 0$ ;

(b) if  $T = (I - A^*A)^{1/2}$

then  $\|u\|^2 = \|A(u)\|^2 + \|T(u)\|^2$   
 $\forall u \in H$ ;

(c)  $\{u \in H : \|u\| = \|A(u)\|\} = N(T)$

Proof: (a)  $(I - A^*A)^* = I - A^*A \Rightarrow I - A^*A$  s.a

Also for any  $u \in H$  we have

$$\left( (I - A^*A)(u), u \right) = \|u\|^2 - \|A(u)\|^2 \geq 0.$$

$\Rightarrow I - A^*A \geq 0 \Rightarrow (I - A^*A)^{1/2} \geq 0$  exists.



(b) We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(u)\|^2 &= (T(u), T(u)) = (T^2(u), u) \\ &= ((I - A^*A)(u), u) \\ &= \|u\|^2 - \|A(u)\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|u\|^2 = \|A(u)\|^2 + \|T(u)\|^2 \quad \forall u \in H$$

(c) Follows from (b)

QED

Exercise 9: Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space,  $\{A_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  and

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (A_n(u), h) = 0 \quad \forall u, h \in H$ . Is it true that

$$\|A_n\|_{\mathcal{L}} \rightarrow 0?$$

Also can we say that  $\{\|A_n\|_{\mathcal{L}}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is bounded

Proof: For the first question the answer is negative

To see this, let  $H = \ell^2$  and let

$$A_n(\{u_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}) = \left( \overbrace{0, \dots, 0}^{n\text{-entries}}, u_1, u_2, \dots \right)$$

We see that  $\|A_n\|_{\mathcal{L}} = 1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  (so  $\|A_n\|_{\mathcal{L}} \not\rightarrow 0$ ) and

for  $\hat{u} = (u_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}, \hat{v} = (v_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(A_n(\hat{u}), \hat{v})| &\leq \left( \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} |u_k|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left( \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} |v_k|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \|\hat{u}\| \left( \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} |v_k|^2 \right)^{1/2} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Next we show that  $\{\|A_n\|_2\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_+$  is bounded 10

Let  $u \in H$  and consider  $\{A_n(u)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq H$ . Then for all  $h \in H$  the real sequence  $\{(A_n(u), h)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is bounded (being convergent).

Then by the uniform boundedness principle we have

$$\{A_n(u)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq H \text{ is bounded.}$$

Again the uniform boundedness principle implies that

$$\|A_n\|_2 \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

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Exercise 10: Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $K \subseteq X$   $w$ -compact. Show that  $K$  is norm closed and norm bounded.

Proof: Note that  $w$   $\subseteq$   $s$  and boundedness is duality invariant.

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