

Compact Operators ✓Setup: $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$, $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ $L(X, Y)$ Def: $T \in L(X, Y)$ is called compact if $T(B_1(0; X))$ is compact in $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$.Remark: if $\dim X < \infty$ this notion is insignificant...

this is a "rare" property for an operator ←

Some basic facts about compact operators
(see also problem 11.4 for additional ones):Lemma Let $T \in L(X, Y)$ be compact, then

$$x_k \xrightarrow{w} x \implies Tx_k \rightarrow Tx$$

Pf: • $T \in L(X, Y) \rightsquigarrow x_k \xrightarrow{w} x \implies Tx_k \xrightarrow{w} Tx$
(cf. Problem 9.3)• $x_k \xrightarrow{w} x \implies (x_k)$ bounded in X
i.e. $\exists R > 0$ s.t. $(x_k) \subset B_R(0; X)$
 $\implies (Tx_k)$ has a converging subsequence
(compactness hp.) i.e. $Tx_{k_n} \rightarrow y \in Y$
 $k \in \mathbb{N}$ in part. $Tx_k \xrightarrow{w} y$
 $k \in \mathbb{N}$ by uniqueness of the weak limit $\implies y = Tx$
(so for we have: a subsequence of (Tx_k) converges strongly to Tx)

- but actually: the argument above shows that any subsequence of (x_k) has a converging subsequence and that the images through T converge strongly to Tx , in other words: $Tx \in Y$ is the ONLY LIMIT POINT of the sequence (Tx_k) in Y .

This means $Tx_k \rightarrow Tx$

Thm. Let X be Banach and let $T \in L(X)$ be compact. Then the image of $\text{id} - T: X \rightarrow X$ is closed.

(thus we can apply "orthogonality relations" proved in Lecture 22)

Pf. (intermediate claims are results of independent relevance!)

Claim 1: $\ker(\text{id} - T) =: M$ is finite dimensional.

why?

$$\text{id}|_M = T|_M \Rightarrow \overline{B_1(0; M)} = \overline{TB_1(0; M)} \subset \overline{TB_1(0; X)}$$

since $M \subset X$
compact by hp.

Thus: M is a Banach space which has relatively compact unit ball

$$\Rightarrow \dim M < \infty$$

Claim 2: M has a topological complement

cf. pb. 3.4 and 7.2

i.e. $X = M \oplus L$ for some closed subspace L .

Claim 3: set $S := \text{id} - T: L \rightarrow X$

satisfies a coercivity estimate, i.e. $\exists r > 0$ s.t.

$$\forall x \in L$$

$$r \|x\|_X \leq \|Sx\|_X$$

why?

if not $\exists (x_k)$ w/ $\|x_k\|_X = 1$
in $L \subset X$ $\|Sx_k\|_X \leq 1/k$
(\leq)

$$Sx_k = x_k - Tx_k$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 0 & x_0 & x_0 \in L \end{array}$$

for some subsequence $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{N}$

$$x_k \rightarrow x_0 \xrightarrow{TEL(x,y)} Tx_k \rightarrow Tx_0$$

$$Tx_k \rightarrow x_0 \Rightarrow \boxed{x_0 = Tx_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_0 \in \text{Ker}(S) = M \rightsquigarrow x_0 \in L \cap M \Rightarrow x_0 = 0$$

$$X = M \oplus L$$

this fact contradicts $\|x_k\|_X = 1$ and $x_k \rightarrow x_0$
 $k \in \mathbb{N}$

Claim 4: $\text{im}(S) = \text{im}(\text{id} - T)$ is closed in X .

why?

$$y_k = Sx_k \rightarrow y \Rightarrow (y_k) \text{ Cauchy}$$

$$\text{q. } y \stackrel{?}{\in} \text{im}(S) \quad \Downarrow \checkmark$$

$$(x_k) \text{ Cauchy}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$(x_k) \text{ converges}$$

$$x_k \rightarrow x$$

$$Sx_k \rightarrow Sx$$

uniqueness of the limit $\rightsquigarrow y = Sx \rightsquigarrow y \in \text{im}(S)$ \blacksquare

$\rightsquigarrow \circ \rightsquigarrow$

Next: examples of compact operators

Compactness criteria:

(A) (Arzelà - Ascoli)

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ open w/ $\bar{\Omega}$ compact

$\mathcal{F} \subset C^0(\bar{\Omega})$ subclon. TFAE:

i) \mathcal{F} is (relatively) sequentially compact, i.e.

given (f_n) in $\mathcal{F} \exists$ subsequence (f_{n_k})

and $f \in C^0(\bar{\Omega})$ w/ $f_{n_k} \xrightarrow{C^0(\bar{\Omega})} f$

ii) \mathcal{F} is uniformly bounded i.e. $\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \|f\|_{C^0} < \infty$

uniformly continuous i.e.

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \quad \forall x, y \in \Omega \quad |x - y| < \delta \\ \text{w/} \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{F} \quad \Downarrow \\ |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$$

Example (A)

$$X = C^1([0, 1]) \quad \|\cdot\|_X = \|\cdot\|_{C^1}$$

$$Y = C^0([0, 1]) \quad \|\cdot\|_Y = \|\cdot\|_{C^0}$$

$T: X \rightarrow Y$ the "natural embedding" i.e. $Tf = f$
is compact.

Proof: i) \Rightarrow ii) exercise: argue by contradiction!

ii) \Rightarrow i) pick (f_n) seq. in \mathcal{F} \leftarrow assumed uniformly bounded continuous
GOAL \rightarrow extract a converging subsequence in $C^0(\bar{\Omega})$

Strategy: similar to proof of Bolzano-Weierstrass...

Fix a dense set of points in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, $(x_e)_{e \in \mathbb{N}}$.

Can enforce convergence of (f_k) at grid points, i.e.

$$\exists \Lambda_1 \subset \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } f_k(x_1) \rightarrow a_1 \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} k \rightarrow \infty \\ k \in \Lambda_1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\exists \Lambda_2 \subset \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } f_k(x_2) \rightarrow a_2 \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} k \rightarrow \infty \\ k \in \Lambda_2 \end{array} \right)$$

get $\Lambda_1 \supset \Lambda_2 \supset \Lambda_3 \supset \dots$. Then "extract a diagonal sequence"

get $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{N}$ unbounded s.t.

$$\forall e \in \mathbb{N} \quad f_k(x_e) \rightarrow a_e \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} k \rightarrow \infty \\ k \in \Lambda \end{array} \right)$$

Define the "candidate limit function"

$$f(x_e) = a_e \quad (\forall e \in \mathbb{N})$$

Claim 1: $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $D = \bigcup_{e \in \mathbb{N}} \{x_e\}$ grid points is uniformly continuous (hence $\exists!$ extension $f \in C^0(\bar{\Omega})$)

why? ($\exists \epsilon$ -trick) given $\epsilon > 0$ let $\delta = \delta(\epsilon) > 0$ s.t.

$$|x - y| < \delta \Rightarrow |f_k(x) - f_k(y)| < \epsilon \quad (\forall k \in \mathbb{N})$$

Then pick $x_e, x_w \in D$ w/ $|x_e - x_w| < \delta$ so

$$|f(x_e) - f(x_w)| \leq |f(x_e) - f_k(x_e)| + \underbrace{|f_k(x_e) - f_k(x_w)|}_{< \epsilon} + |f_k(x_w) - f(x_w)|$$

$$\stackrel{k \geq k_0}{\leq} \epsilon + \epsilon + \epsilon = 3\epsilon$$

Claim 2: $f_k \rightarrow f$ in $C^0(\bar{\Omega})$ $\left(\begin{array}{l} k \rightarrow \infty \\ k \in \Lambda \end{array} \right)$

why? use $\bar{\Omega}$ compact: finite covering of $\bar{\Omega}$ of the form $B_\delta(x_e)$ x_e grid point, $1 \leq e \leq L$

Now choose κ_* s.t. $\kappa \geq \kappa_*$ \leftarrow is independent of $x \in \Omega$ (only determined by the cover)

$$|f_\kappa(x_e) - f(x_e)| < \epsilon \quad \forall 1 \leq e \leq L$$

Given $x \in \Omega$ pick $1 \leq e \leq L$ w/ $x \in B_\delta(x_e)$

$$\begin{aligned} |f_\kappa(x) - f(x)| &\leq |f_\kappa(x) - f_\kappa(x_e)| \\ &\quad + |f_\kappa(x_e) - f(x_e)| \\ &\quad + |f(x_e) - f(x)| \\ &\leq \epsilon + \epsilon + \epsilon = 3\epsilon \end{aligned}$$

③ A compactness theorem in L^p (Fréchet-Kolmogorov)

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ open, bounded. $1 \leq p < \infty$

$\mathcal{F} \subset L^p(\Omega)$ subseq. TFAE:

i) \mathcal{F} is (relatively) sequentially compact;

ii) \mathcal{F} is uniformly bounded in L^p , i.e. $\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \|f\|_{L^p} < \infty$

and uniformly continuous in L^p , i.e.

$$\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \|f - \tau_h f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)} \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow 0} 0$$

notation: given $f \in \mathcal{F}$ extend it to 0 outside of Ω

and $\tau_h f(x) = f(x+h)$



Pf. i) \Rightarrow ii) \mathcal{F} seq. compact \iff \mathcal{F} compact $\implies \mathcal{F}$ bounded

Lecture 5

Just check the other property: we use that $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is dense in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ if $p < \infty$, so given any $\epsilon > 0$

$$\bigcup_{f \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)} \mathcal{B}_\epsilon (f|_\Omega; L^p(\Omega)) = L^p(\Omega)$$

hence \exists finite covering w/ pivots f_1, f_2, \dots, f_k

$$\text{so } \exists \delta > 0 \text{ w/ } |x-y| < \delta \Rightarrow |f_i(x) - f_i(y)|^p < \frac{\epsilon^p}{2^4 (\text{supp}(f_i))}$$

$$\forall 1 \leq i \leq k$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} h \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ |h| < \delta \end{aligned} \quad \|f_i - \tau_h f_i\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)}^p \leq \|f_i - \tau_h f_i\|_{L^\infty}^p \int_{\text{supp}(f_i)} 1 < \epsilon^p$$

$$\leadsto \|f_i - \tau_h f_i\|_{L^p} < \epsilon$$

$$i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$$

Given $f \in \mathcal{F}$ have $f \in \mathcal{B}_\epsilon (f_k)$ and at this stage

we prove "uniform continuity" in L^p using the 3ϵ -trick as above.

ii) \Rightarrow i) (done by smooth approximation)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \in C_c^\infty(B_1(0)) \quad \rho_\delta(x) &:= \delta^{-n} \rho\left(\frac{x}{\delta}\right) \quad (\delta > 0) \\ \int \rho &= 1 \quad \left[\int \rho_\delta = 1 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$f_\delta := f * \rho_\delta = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x-y) \rho_\delta(y) dy$$

Given $\epsilon > 0$ choose (and fix) $\delta > 0$ s.t.

$$\|f - \tau_h f\|_{L^p} < \epsilon$$

$$\forall f \in \mathcal{F} \quad (\text{provided } |h| < \delta)$$

Claim 1: $\|f - f_\delta\|_{L^p} < \epsilon$

why?

$$(f_\delta - f)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (f(x-y) - f(x)) \rho_\delta(y) dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \|f_\delta - f\|_{L^p} \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \| \tau_y f - f \|_{L^p} \rho_\delta(y) dy$$

Triukowski

$$\text{supp}(\rho_\delta) \subset B_\delta(0; \mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$y \in B_\delta(0; \mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \epsilon \cdot \rho_\delta(y) dy = \epsilon$$

Claim 2: $(f_\delta)_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \subset C^0(\bar{\Omega})$ uniformly $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{bounded} \\ \text{const.} \end{array} \right.$

why?

$$|f_\delta(x)| \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(x-y)| |\rho_\delta(y)| dy$$

$$\hookrightarrow \leq C_\delta \int_{B_\delta} |f(x-y)| dy$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Hölder}} \leq C'_\delta \int_{B_\delta} |f(x-y)|^p dy$$

$$\leq C'_\delta \|f\|_{L^p}^p \leq \text{constant dep. on } \delta$$

$$|f_\delta(x) - f_\delta(z)| = \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\rho_\delta(x-y) - \rho_\delta(z-y)) f(y) dy \right|$$

$$\leq C \rho_\delta(|x-z|)$$

$$\leq C_\delta |x-z| \|f\|_{L^p} \leq \text{constant dep. on } \delta$$

Close $(f_k) \rightsquigarrow (f_{k,\delta})$

(given $\epsilon > 0$ arbitrary and $\delta > 0$ chosen as per Claim 1)

$\exists \Lambda = \Lambda(\delta) \subset \mathbb{N}$ unbounded s.t. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{by Ascoli-Arzelà} \end{array} \right.$

$$f_{k,\delta} \xrightarrow{C^0(\bar{\Omega})} f \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} k \rightarrow \infty \\ k \in \Lambda \end{array} \right)$$

now $\exists k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $j, k \geq k_0$ and $j, k \in \Lambda$

$$\|f_{j,\delta} - f_{k,\delta}\|_{L^p} < \epsilon$$

thus $\|f_j - f_k\|_{L^p} \leq \|f_j - f_{j,\delta}\|_{L^p}$

again $j, k \geq k_0$
 $j, k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$+ \|f_{j,\delta} - f_{k,\delta}\|_{L^p}$$

$$+ \|f_{k,\delta} - f_k\|_{L^p}$$

$$\leq \epsilon + \epsilon + \epsilon = 3\epsilon$$

\leadsto I've shown that $(f_k) \subset L^p(\Omega)$ has a Cauchy subsequence \leadsto the same subsequence converges since L^p is Banach □

Example (B)

Integral kernels

Motivation/context: consider the Dirichlet problem $(\#) \begin{cases} \Delta u = f & \Omega \\ u = 0 & \partial\Omega \end{cases}$ where $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ open, bounded w/ smooth boundary $\partial\Omega$.

Given $f \in C^0(\bar{\Omega})$ are there solutions $u \in C^2(\bar{\Omega})$ to $(\#)$?

Unique solution or not? The answer is YES (to both) and

one can represent the (only) sol. as $u(x) = \int_{\Omega} G(x,y) f(y) dy$ Green function for Δ w/ Dirichlet boundary conditions!

The Green function $G(x,y)$ is an example of integral kernel.

It is possible e.g. to prove that the linear map

$$T: L^2(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$$

given by $Tf(x) = \int_{\Omega} G(x,y) f(y) dy$

is well-defined and compact (cf. exercise 11.5 for a special case, and FA 2).