

4.1. Closed answer questions.

1. In order to prove that a linear map $T: L^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R})$ is continuous it is enough to prove that $\|Tu\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} \leq 100$, provided $u \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and $\|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} \leq 7$. True or false?
2. Give an example of a nonzero continuous linear functional on $L^2(0, 1)$.
3. Alice is given a bounded linear functional $\phi \in L^2(0, 1)^*$, and Bob is given a bounded linear functional $\psi \in L^2(0, 1)^*$. They check that $\phi(u) = \psi(u)$ for all $u \in C([0, 1])$. Is it necessarily true that $\phi = \psi$?
4. If ϕ is a continuous linear functional on an Hilbert space H , then $\ker \phi$ is a closed vector subspace of H . True or false?
5. The inequality " $\|(u_k)\|_{\ell^2(\mathbb{N})} \leq \|(u_k)\|_{\ell^1(\mathbb{N})}$ for all sequences (u_k) ", can be equivalently phrased as "the inclusion $\ell^1(\mathbb{N}) \hookrightarrow \ell^2(\mathbb{N})$ is 1-Lipschitz". True or false?

4.2. Norm of the multiplication operator. For $u \in H := L^2(0, 1)$ consider the operator

$$M_a: u(x) \mapsto a(x)u(x),$$

where $a: (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a given measurable function. We want to prove that M_a is continuous from H in itself if and only if $a \in L^\infty(0, 1)$, in which case $\|M_a\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} = \|a\|_{L^\infty(0,1)}$.

1. Given for granted the claim, $\|M_{\exp}\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} = \dots$?
2. Prove the inequality

$$\int_0^1 a^2(x)u^2(x) dx \leq \sup_{(0,1)} |a|^2 \int_0^1 u^2(x) dx,$$

and deduce that $\|M_a\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} \leq \|a\|_{L^\infty(0,1)}$.

3. Show that if $E \subset (0, 1)$ is measurable with $|E| > 0$, then

$$\frac{\|M_a \mathbf{1}_E\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2}{\|\mathbf{1}_E\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2} = \frac{1}{|E|} \int_E a^2(x) dx.$$

4. Choosing properly the measurable set E in the previous point¹, prove that $\|M_a\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} \geq \|a\|_{L^\infty}$.

¹Hint: try with $E =$ "the set where $|a|$ is large"...

4.3. Bounded Linear Operators I. Prove that each of the following linear operators is bounded from $\ell^2(\mathbb{N})$ in itself ². Draw the infinite matrix that represents each of them.

1. (Shift operator) $S: (u_0, u_1, u_2, \dots) \mapsto (0, u_0, u_1, \dots)$.
2. (Diagonal matrix) $M_\lambda: (u_0, u_1, u_2, \dots) \mapsto (\lambda_0 u_0, \lambda_1 u_1, \lambda_2 u_2, \dots)$, where $\{\lambda_j\}_{j \geq 0}$ is some given sequence such that $\sup_{j \geq 0} |\lambda_j| = 7$.
3. $T: (u_0, u_1, u_2, \dots) \mapsto (u_0 - u_1, u_1 - u_2, u_2 - u_3, \dots)$.
4. (Hilbert-Schmidt matrix) For each $k \geq 0$ set $(Au)_k := \sum_{j \geq 0} A_{k,j} u_j$, where the infinite matrix $\{A_{i,j}\}_{i \geq 0, j \geq 0}$ satisfies ³

$$\sum_{i,j} |A_{i,j}|^2 < +\infty.$$

4.4. Bounded linear operators II. Prove the following inequalities and interpret them as the continuity of a suitable linear map between suitable normed vector spaces:

1. For all $u \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ it holds

$$\int_0^1 u^2(t) dt \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} u^2(t) dt.$$

2. For each polynomial $p(X) = p_0 + p_1 X + \dots + P_k X^N$ it holds

$$\max_{x \in [-1,1]} |p(x)| \leq \sum_{j=0}^N |p_j|.$$

3. For all $u \in C^1([0, 1])$ with $u(0) = 0$ it holds⁴

$$\max_{x \in [0,1]} |u(x)| \leq \int_0^1 |u'(t)| dt.$$

²Concretely, you have to establish that the ℓ^2 size of the image of any sequence (u_k) is bounded by a multiple of the ℓ^2 size of (u_k) itself.

³Hint: for each k : $(\sum_{j \geq 0} A_{k,j} u_j)^2 \leq (\sum_{j \geq 0} A_{k,j}^2) (\sum_{j \geq 0} u_j^2)$, by Cauchy Schwarz...

⁴Hint: use the fundamental Theorem of Calculus, i.e., that a function is the integral of its derivative...