

1. RIESZ-SCHAUDAUER THEORY OF COMPACT OPERATORS

We will denote the range of an operator T , $T \in L(X)$, like $R(T)$. It is always a subspace of space X . It is closed in the case of finite dimensional space X .

Lemma 1.1. *Let be X a Banach space and $T \in L(X)$. If it exists a $\beta > 0$ such, that $\|T(x)\| \geq \beta \|x\|$ for all $x \in X$, then $R(T)$ is a closed set.*

Proof. Let is $z_n \in R(T)$, $z_n \rightarrow z$. We will find $x_n \in X$ such that, $T(x_n) = z_n$. Then $\|x_n - x_k\| \leq \beta^{-1} \|z_n - z_k\|$ and we see that a sequence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy. Then the limit $\lim x_n \equiv x$ exists and we obtain from the continuity of T that $Tx = z$. \square

We will call a complex number an eigenvalue of an operator $T \in L(X)$, when exists $x \neq 0$, for which $T(x) = \lambda x$. So, λ is an eigenvalue of T , when the operator $T - \lambda I$ is not injective. We denote the set of all eigenvalues of T like $\sigma_p(T)$ and we call it pointwise specturm of T .¹

We will say that a complex number $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ lies in spectrum of $\sigma(T)$ of operator T , when operator $T - \lambda I$ is not injective, or $R(T - \lambda I) \neq X$. It is clear that in the spectrum of operator T lie all its eigenvalues.

If λ is not in spectrum of operator T , the operator $T - \lambda I$ is injective and his range is whole space X . We can characterize operators with such a property also followingly: we say that an operator T defined on Banach space X is invertible, if exists an operator $L \in L(X)$ such, that $LT = TL = I$.

Theorem 1.2. *Operator $T \in L(X)$ is invertible, iff T is injective and onto.*

Proof. If T is invertible. Then there exists $L \in L(X)$ such, that $LT = I$ and $TL = I$. If $Tx = 0$, then we get from the first equality that $x = 0$. So T is injective. If we choose $y \in X$ arbitrarily, we can put $x = Ly$ and we obtain from the second inequality that $y = Tx$. So T is onto.

If we have an injective operator $T \in L(X)$ with the property that $R(T) = X$, then the inverse mapping (in the set-theoretic sense) is a linear operator onto X , which is according to Banach open mapping theorem continuous. We have

$$T(T^{-1}x) = T^{-1}(Tx) = x,$$

for all x . \square

Lemma 1.3. *Let T be an invertible operator on Banach space X , $\alpha \equiv \|T^{-1}\|$. If $S \in L(X)$ and $\|S - T\| < \frac{1}{\alpha}$, then operator S is invertible.*

Proof. Because

$$\left\| \sum_{j=k}^n (T^{-1}(T - S))^j \right\| \leq \sum_{j=k}^n \|(T^{-1}(T - S))^j\| \leq \sum_{j=k}^n \|(T^{-1}(T - S))\|^j \leq \sum_{j=k}^n q^j$$

for all $k < n$, where $q \equiv \alpha \|S - T\| < 1$, then is the sequence of partial sums of serie $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (T^{-1}(T - S))^j$ Cauchy in $L(X)$ (this serie is absolutely convergent). So we can put

¹Contrary to the situation of finite dimensional spaces, there exists operators which are injective but not surjective and which are surjective but not injective.

$$L \equiv \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (T^{-1}(T-S))^j T^{-1}.$$

Because $S = T(I - T^{-1}(T-S))$, we obtain by calculation that $LS = SL = I$. \square

This lemma tells us the the set of invertible operators on Banach space X is open in $L(X)$.

Theorem 1.4. *Let X is a Banach space and $T \in L(X)$. Then the spectrum $\sigma(T)$ is a compact subset of complex plane \mathbb{C} . We even have $\sigma(T) \subset \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}, |\lambda| \leq \|T\|\}$.*

Proof. Let's choose $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $|\lambda| > \|T\|$. Operator $A \equiv -\lambda I$ is invertible. If we put $S \equiv T - \lambda I$, then $\|S - A\| = \|T\| < |\lambda| = \|T^{-1}\|^{-1}$. Then $S - \lambda I$ is invertible, in other words $\lambda \notin \sigma(T)$. \square

Now we will prove Riesz lemma:

Lemma 1.5. *Let be X a normed linear space and $Y \subset\subset X$ its closed subspace. Then for every $\epsilon > 0$ exists $x_\epsilon \in X$ such, that*

$$\|x_\epsilon\| = 1, \text{ dist}(x_\epsilon, Y) \geq 1 - \epsilon.$$

Proof. Let's suppose that $0 < \epsilon < 1$ and $x \in X \setminus Y$. Because $d \equiv \text{dist}(x, Y) > 0$, there exists $x' \in Y$ for which $\|x - x'\| \leq \frac{d}{1-\epsilon}$. If we put $x_\epsilon = \frac{x-x'}{\|x-x'\|}$, then $\|x_\epsilon\| = 1$ and

$$(1) \quad \|z - x_\epsilon\| = \frac{1}{\|x - x'\|} \|(\|x - x'\|z + x') - x\| \geq \frac{\text{dist}(x, Y)}{\|x - x'\|} \geq 1 - \epsilon.$$

\square

The following theorem is called Riesz theorem:

Theorem 1.6. *Let be X a normed linear space. The following is equivalent:*

- X is finite dimensional
- closed unit sphere $\{x \in X : \|x\| \leq 1\}$ is compact
- identical mapping in X is compact

Proof. We need to prove only that if identical mapping in X is compact, then X is finite dimensional: so, let's suppose that $\dim X$ is infinity; Then exist subspaces $X_1 \subset X_2 \subset \dots \subset X$, such that $\dim X_n = n$. We will find according to the previous Riesz lemma, that there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$, such that

$$\|x_n\| = 1, x_{n+1} \in X_{n+1}, \text{ dist}(x_{n+1}, X_n) \geq \frac{1}{2}.$$

From this follows that $\|x_n - x_m\| \geq \frac{1}{2}$ for $m \neq n$, but then an identical mapping could not be compact. \square

For $\text{Ker}(T)$ holds always that it is closed, but $R(T)$ hasn't to be closed.

Lemma 1.7. *Let be K a compact operator on normed linear space X . Then $\text{Ker}(I - K)$ is a closed finite dimensional subspace of X*

Proof. We will denote $B \equiv \{x \in \text{Ker}(I - K) : \|x\| \leq 1\}$. Because $\text{Ker}(I - K) = \{x \in X : Kx = x\}$, it is $KB = B$ and therefore B must be relatively compact. $\text{Ker}(I - K)$ is according to the Riesz theorem finite dimensional. \square

Lemma 1.8. *If K is a compact operator on infinite-dimensional normed linear space X , then $0 \in \sigma(K)$.*

Proof. If the $\sigma(K)$ does not contain 0, K is an invertible operator. But then $I = K \circ K^{-1}$ and so I is a compact operator. And this would be a contradiction with Riesz theorem. \square

Lemma 1.9. *Let be K a compact operator on Banach space X . Then $R(I - K)$ is a closed subspace of X .*

Proof. Let $T = I - K$ and $Z = \text{Ker}(I - K)$. Then Z is a closed finite dimensional subspace of X . It has a topological complement according to one of the previous lemmas. Let's denote it W . Because W is closed, it is a Banach space. Then if we will prove that T is bounded from below, we are done according to Lemma 1.1.

So, suppose that T is not bounded from below. Then there exists a sequence x_n such that $\|x_n\| = 1$ and $Tx_n \rightarrow 0$. Because K is compact, we can suppose that $Kx_n \rightarrow y$. Then $\lim x_n = \lim(T(x_n) + K(x_n)) = y$. Then $y = 0$, but this is impossible. \square

We define annihilators followingly: let be X a normed linear space, $M \subset\subset X$ and $N \subset\subset X^*$. We define the annihilators by the prescription

$$M^\perp \equiv \{\varphi \in X^* : \varphi(x) = 0, \forall x \in M\},$$

$${}^\perp N \equiv \{x \in X : \varphi(x) = 0, \forall \varphi \in N\}.$$

Theorem 1.10. *Let be X and Y normed linear spaces and $T \in L(X, Y)$. We have*

$$\text{Ker}(T') = R(T)^\perp, \quad \text{Ker}(T) = {}^\perp R(T').$$

Proof. $a \in \text{Ker}(T')$, iff $T'(a)(x) = a(Tx) = 0$ for all $x \in X$. So, $a \in R(T)^\perp$.

$x \in \text{Ker}(T)$, if $Tx = 0$. But $Tx = 0$, iff $\varphi(Tx) = T'(\varphi)(x) = 0$ for all $\varphi \in X^*$. This means $x \in {}^\perp R(T')$. \square

Theorem 1.11. *Let be X and Y normed linear spaces and $T \in L(X, Y)$. Then*

$$\overline{RT} = {}^\perp \text{Ker}(T').$$

Proof. Let $y \in R(T)$ and $\varphi \in \text{Ker}(T')$. So, then there exists $x \in X$ such that $Tx = y$. But then $\varphi(y) = \varphi(Tx) = T'(\varphi)(x) = 0$. But the annihilator is always closed, so we have one inclusion $\overline{RT} \subset {}^\perp \text{Ker}(T')$.

We will prove the second inclusion. Let $y \notin \overline{RT}$. There exists according to Hahn-Banach theorem $\varphi \in Y^*$, such that $\varphi(y) \neq 0$ and $\varphi(\overline{RT}) = 0$. If $x \in X$, then $\varphi(T(x)) = 0$, so $T'(\varphi)(x) = 0$ and $\varphi \in \text{Ker}(T')$. But because $\varphi(y) \neq 0$, we have $y \notin {}^\perp \text{Ker}(T')$. \square

Very important are the following Fredholm alternatives:

Theorem 1.12. *Let be K a compact operator on Banach space X and $\lambda \neq 0$. Then the operator $K - \lambda I$ is injective, iff it is surjective.*

Theorem 1.13. *Let be K a compact operator and $\lambda \neq 0$. Then*

$$R(K' - \lambda I') = \text{Ker}(K - \lambda I)^\perp, \quad R(K - \lambda I) = {}^\perp (K' - \lambda I').$$

Theorem 1.14. *If it is K a compact operator on Banach space X and $\lambda \neq 0$. Then is*

$$\dim \text{Ker}(K - \lambda I) = \dim \text{Ker}(K' - \lambda I') < \infty.$$

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