

5.1 Definition of Hilbert space

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Let K be \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} .

Let $\bar{\cdot} : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ denote complex conjugation.

Let H be a vector space over K .

An inner product on H is a function

$$H \times H \rightarrow K \quad \text{such that} \\ (x, y) \mapsto \langle x, y \rangle$$

- (a) if $x, y, z \in H$ then $\langle x+y, z \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle$,
- (b) if $\alpha \in K$ and $x, y \in H$ then $\langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle$,
- (c) if $x, y \in H$ then $\langle x, y \rangle = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle}$,
- (d) if $x \in H$ then $\langle x, x \rangle \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$,
- (e) if $x \in H$ and $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$ then $x = 0$.

Theorem 5.1 Let H be a vector space over K .

Let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : H \times H \rightarrow K$ be an inner product on H . Define

$$\|\cdot\| : H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \quad \text{by} \quad \|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}.$$

- (a) If $x, y \in H$ then $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \cdot \|y\|$.
- (b) If $x, y \in H$ then $\|x+y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$.
- (c) H with $\|\cdot\|$ is a normed vector space.
- (d) If $x, y \in H$ and $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$ then $\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 = \|x+y\|^2$.

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Let K be \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} .

A Hilbert space is a vector space over K with an inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle: H \times H \rightarrow K$ such that, with respect to $\|\cdot\|: H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ given by $\|x\| = \sqrt{K\langle x, x \rangle}$,

H is a complete normed vector space.

Examples

(1) $H = \mathbb{R}^n$ with inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n, \text{ for } x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ y = (y_1, \dots, y_n).$$

(2) $H = \ell^2 = \{x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \mid x_i \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } \|x\| < \infty\}$

with inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle: \ell^2 \times \ell^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ given by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}} x_k \bar{y}_k,$$

for $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$ and $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots)$

(3) Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be open. Let

$$H = L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}) = \{f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \|f\|_{L^2} < \infty\}$$

with $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle: H \times H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{\Omega} f(x)g(x) dx \quad \text{and} \quad \|f\|_{L^2} = \left(\int_{\Omega} |f(x)|^2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

§5.2 $\text{span}(S)$, $\overline{\text{span}(S)}$ and S^\perp

(3)

Let H be a ^{topological} vector space and let $S \subseteq H$.

The span of S is

$$\text{span}(S) = \left\{ c_1 x_1 + \dots + c_n x_n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}, c_1, \dots, c_n \in K, x_1, \dots, x_n \in S \right\}$$

The space generated by S is $\overline{\text{span}(S)}$.

The set S is total if $\overline{\text{span}(S)} = H$.

HW Show that $\text{span}(S)$ is the smallest subspace containing S .

HW Give an example where $\text{span}(S) \neq \overline{\text{span}(S)}$.

Let H be Hilbert space and let $x, y \in H$ and $S \subseteq H$.

The elements ~~x and y~~ x and y are orthogonal if $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$.

The orthogonal subspace to S is

$$S^\perp = \{ y \in H \mid \text{if } x \in S \text{ then } \langle y, x \rangle = 0 \}$$

HW Show that S^\perp is a closed subspace of H .

HW (Lemma 5.9) Let H be a Hilbert space and $S \subseteq H$.

Show that

$$\overline{\text{span}(S)} = H \text{ if and only if } S^\perp = \{0\}.$$

§ 5.2 continued: $H = V \oplus V^\perp$

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Let H be a Hilbert space

Let $V \subseteq H$ be a closed subspace of H .

Define $P_V: H \rightarrow V$ and $P_{V^\perp}: H \rightarrow V^\perp$ by

$$P_V(x) = y \quad \text{and} \quad P_{V^\perp}(x) = z,$$

where $y \in V$ and $d(y, x) = \inf \{ d(v, x) \mid v \in V \}$, and $z \in V^\perp$ and $d(z, x) = \inf \{ d(w, x) \mid w \in V^\perp \}$.

Theorem With notations as above

- (a) $H = V \oplus V^\perp$,
- (b) P_V and P_{V^\perp} are functions,
- (c) P_V and P_{V^\perp} are continuous linear operators,
- (d) If $V \neq \{0\}$ then $\|P_V\| = 1$,
- (e) If $V^\perp \neq X$ then $\|P_{V^\perp}\| = 1$,
- (f) $\|P_V\| \leq 1$ and $\|P_{V^\perp}\| \leq 1$.

§ 5.3: $H \xrightarrow{\sim} H^*$.

Theorem 5.7 (Riesz representation of linear functionals).

Let H be a Hilbert space. The function

$$\begin{aligned} H &\xrightarrow{\sim} H^* \\ y &\longmapsto \varphi_y: H \rightarrow \mathbb{K} \\ &\quad x \longmapsto \langle y, x \rangle \end{aligned}$$

is a linear continuous isometric isomorphism of Hilbert spaces.

§5.4 Gram-Schmidt

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Let H be a Hilbert space.

Let $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots\}$ be a linearly independent sequence in H . Let

$$e_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|} \quad \text{and} \quad e_n = \frac{v_n - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \langle v_n, e_k \rangle e_k}{\|v_n - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \langle v_n, e_k \rangle e_k\|}$$

for $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$. Then

(a) If $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ then $\langle e_i, e_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } i \neq j, \\ 1, & \text{if } i = j. \end{cases}$

(b) If $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ then $\text{span}\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\} = \text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$.

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Theorem 5.10 Let H be a Hilbert space. Let $S = \{e_1, e_2, \dots\}$ be a sequence in H such that if $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ then $\langle e_i, e_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$. Let

$V = \overline{\text{span}(S)}$ and $P_V: H \rightarrow V$ defined by

$P_V(x) = y$, with $y \in V$ and $d(y, x) = \inf\{d(v, x) \mid v \in V\}$.

Then

$$P_V(x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}} \langle x, e_k \rangle e_k, \quad \text{and}$$

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}} |\langle x, e_k \rangle|^2 = \|P_V(x)\|^2 \leq \|x\|^2. \quad (\text{Bessel's inequality}).$$