

LECTURE 22: LINEAR MAPS

Theorem 42: Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be normed spaces and let  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  be linear. Then  $T$  is continuous at  $x = 0 \iff T$  is uniformly continuous on  $X$ .

Proof: ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Immediate. ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that if  $\|x - 0\| < \delta$  then  $\|T(x) - T(0)\| < \epsilon$ . Since  $T(0) = 0$ , if  $\|x\| < \delta$  then  $\|T(x)\| < \epsilon$ . Hence if  $\|x - y\| < \delta$  then  $\|T(x) - T(y)\| = \|T(x - y)\| < \epsilon$  and, since  $\delta = \delta(0, \epsilon)$  is independent of  $x$  and  $y$ , this shows that  $T$  is uniformly continuous on  $X$ .

Definition: If  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  is linear we say  $T$  is bounded if  $\exists M \geq 0$  such that

$$\|T(x)\|_Y \leq M\|x\|_X \quad \forall x \in X.$$

Theorem 43:  $T$  is bounded  $\iff T$  is continuous.

Proof: ( $\implies$ ) Given  $\epsilon > 0$  let  $\delta = \epsilon/(M+1)$ . Then  $\|x\| < \delta \implies \|T(x)\| < M \cdot \delta = \frac{\epsilon \cdot M}{M+1} < \epsilon$ .

( $\impliedby$ ) Let  $\epsilon = 1$ . Then  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that  $\|x\| = \delta \implies \|T(x)\| \leq 1$ .

If  $x \neq 0$  then  $\|T(x)\| = \|T(\delta \cdot x/\|x\|)\| \cdot \|x\|/\delta$ . Since  $\|\delta x/\|x\|\| = \delta$  RHS  $\leq 1 \cdot \|x\|/\delta$ . Let  $M = 1/\delta$ . Then  $\forall x$ ,  $\|T(x)\| \leq M\|x\|$ .

Definition:  $B(X, Y)$  = set of all bounded linear transformations from  $X$  to  $Y$ .

Definition: if  $T \in B(X, Y)$  let

$$\|T\| = \inf\{M : \|T(x)\| \leq M\|x\| \quad \forall x \in X\}$$

If  $T, S \in B(X, Y)$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  let  $(T + S)(x) = T(x) + S(x)$  and  $(\alpha T)(x) = \alpha \cdot T(x)$ .

Definition: A normed space is called a Banach space if it is complete.

Theorem 44:  $B(X, Y)$  is a normed space which is Banach if  $Y$  is Banach.

Proof: We first need to prove that  $\|T\|$  as defined above is a norm on  $B(X,Y)$ . Clearly  $\|T\| \geq 0$ . If  $\|T\| = 0$  then  $\forall x \in X$   
 $\|T(x)\| \leq \varepsilon \|x\| \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0$ . Hence, fixing  $x$ ,  $\|T(x)\| = 0 \Rightarrow T(x) = 0 \Rightarrow$   
 (letting  $x$  vary)  $T$  is the zero transformation,  $0$ . Next

$$\begin{aligned} \|(T+S)(x)\| &= \|T(x) + S(x)\| \leq \|T(x)\| + \|S(x)\| \\ &\leq \|T\| \cdot \|x\| + \|S\| \cdot \|x\| \\ &= (\|T\| + \|S\|) \cdot \|x\| \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\|T+S\| \leq \|T\| + \|S\|$ .

The proof that  $\|\alpha T\| = |\alpha| \|T\|$  is left to the reader as are the easily checked details that  $B(X,Y)$  is a vector space.

Completeness: Let  $Y$  be complete and let  $\{T_n\}$  be Cauchy in  $B(X,Y)$ . Then  $\exists M \geq 0$  such that  $\|T_n\| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore  $\forall x \in X$   
 $\|T_n(x)\| \leq \|T_n\| \cdot \|x\| \leq M \|x\|$  - (1). Given  $\varepsilon > 0 \exists N_\varepsilon$  such that  
 $\|T_n - T_m\| < \varepsilon \quad \forall n, m \geq N_\varepsilon$ . Hence  $\forall x \in X \quad \|T_n(x) - T_m(x)\| = \|(T_n - T_m)(x)\|$   
 $\leq \varepsilon \|x\|$  - (2)

Therefore  $\{T_n(x)\}$  with  $x$  fixed is Cauchy in  $Y$ . Since  $Y$  is complete,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n(x)$  exists. Denote this  $x$  dependent limit by  $T(x)$

The continuity of the  $\|\cdot\|$  for  $+$  and  $\cdot \Rightarrow T$  is linear since each  $T_n$  is :  
 $[T(x) + T(y) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n(x) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n(y) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (T_n(x) + T_n(y))$   
 $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (T_n(x+y))$   
 $= T(x+y)]$

By equation (1)  $\|T(x)\| \leq M \|x\| \quad \forall x \in X$ . Therefore  $T \in B(X,Y)$ .

Fix  $x$  and let  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in equation (2).

$$\begin{aligned} \forall n \geq N_\varepsilon \quad \|T_n(x) - T(x)\| &\leq \varepsilon \|x\| \\ \| & \\ \| (T_n - T)(x) \| &\quad \forall x \in X. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\|T_n - T\| \leq \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq N_\epsilon$ . Therefore  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n = T$  and the Cauchy sequence converges. Thus  $B(X, Y)$  is complete.

Definition: If  $Y = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$  when  $X$  is a real or complex vector space respectively we denote  $B(X, Y)$  by  $X'$  and call the space the topological dual or adjoint of  $X$ .

Exercises (i) If  $N$  is a real normed vector space and  $F \in N'$  then  $\|F\| = \sup\{F(x) : \|x\| = 1\}$ .

Exercise (ii) The topological dual of any normed vector space is complete.

Exercise (iii) Let  $N$  be the set of polynomials on  $[0, 1]$ . If  $p(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_n t^n \in N$  let  $\|p\| = |a_0| + \dots + |a_n|$ . Show that  $N$  is normed but not Banach. Find  $N'$ .

Exercise (iv)  $(\mathbb{R}^n)'$   $\cong \mathbb{R}^n$ ; any linear map  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous.

Exercise (v) Show that the set of all real bounded sequences can be given a Banach space norm.

"The good Christian should beware of mathematicians and all those who make empty prophecies. The danger already exists that the mathematicians have made a covenant with the devil to darken the spirit and confine man in the bonds of Hell."

(St. Augustine)