

Inner product spaces:

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As compare to the Euclidean spaces, there are infinite dimensional spaces, where we can make sense of angle between two vectors. And hence allowing to draw unique normal to a subspace (or hyperplane).

Let X be a vector space on $F = (\mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C})$.

A bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : X \times X \rightarrow F$ is called inner product if

(i) $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$ and $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$ iff. $x = 0$.

(ii) $\langle x, y \rangle = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle}$

(iii) $\langle \alpha x + \beta y, z \rangle = \alpha \langle x, z \rangle + \beta \langle y, z \rangle$

for all $\alpha, \beta \in F$ and $x, y, z \in X$.

Note that $\langle x, \alpha y + \beta z \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle + \beta \langle x, z \rangle$
(by (iii) & (ii)).

The space $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is known as inner product space (IPS).

Note that if we write $\|x\| = \langle x, x \rangle^{1/2}$, then we later see that $\|\cdot\|$ is a norm on X . This will be followed by the inequality.

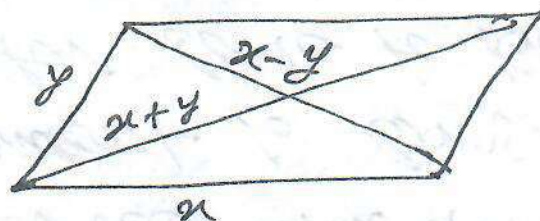
i.e. $\|x+y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$, $\forall x, y \in X$.

Thus $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ induces a norm on X . (156)

However, all norms on X need not provide inner product on X , which we see later, unless it satisfies the parallelogram law.

Parallelogram law:

For $x, y \in X$,
 $\|x+y\|^2 + \|x-y\|^2$



$$= 2(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2). \quad (3)$$

Polarization Identity:

Let X be an IPS. Then for $x, y \in X$, the following identity holds.

$$4\langle x, y \rangle = \|x+y\|^2 - \|x-y\|^2 + i(\|x+iy\|^2 - \|x-iy\|^2). \quad (4)$$

Proof: Since

$$\|x+y\|^2 - \|x-y\|^2 = 2\langle x, y \rangle + 2\langle y, x \rangle$$

$$\text{and } \|x+iy\|^2 - \|x-iy\|^2 = 2\langle x, iy \rangle + 2\langle iy, x \rangle,$$

the identity (4) follows.

Lemma: Let X be an inner product space, and $x_n, x \in X$. If $\|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$, then $\langle x_n - x, y \rangle \rightarrow 0$, $\forall y \in X$.

Converse need not be true. For $e_n \in \ell^2$, $\|e_n\|_2 = 1$, but $\langle e_n, y \rangle = y_n \rightarrow 0$, $\forall y \in \ell^2$.

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Proof: Suppose $\|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$. Note that w.l.g. we can assume $x = 0$. Thus, $x_n \rightarrow 0$.

By polarization identity,

$$4 \langle x_n, y \rangle = \|x_n + y\|^2 - \|x_n - y\|^2 + i(\|x_n + iy\|^2 - \|x_n - iy\|^2)$$
$$\Rightarrow \langle x_n, y \rangle \rightarrow 0, \forall y \in V$$

Thus, while X is endowed with an inner product, norm convergence implies inner product wise convergence. By Riesz representation theorem, we come to know that, ~~norm~~ inner product wise convergence is same as weak convergence.

For $x, y \in X$, let $\|(x, y)\|_0 = \|x\| + \|y\|$.

Then $(\cdot, \cdot) \rightarrow 0$ is a conti map on $(X \times Y, \|\cdot\|_0)$.

Suppose $\|(x_n, y_n) - (x, y)\|_0 \rightarrow 0$. Then

$$\|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ \& } \|y_n - y\| \rightarrow 0.$$

Now,

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$$|\langle x_n, y_n \rangle - \langle x, y \rangle| \leq |\langle x_n - x, y_n \rangle| + |\langle x, y_n - y \rangle|.$$

$$\leq \|x_n - x\| \|y_n\| + \|x\| \|y_n - y\|.$$

Since (y_n) is conv, (y_n) is bdd and

$$\|y_n\| \leq C, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Hence, $|\langle x_n, y_n \rangle - \langle x, y \rangle| \rightarrow 0.$

Note that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is uniformly conti.

Theorem: Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a n.l.s. Then $\|\cdot\|$ is induced by an inner product on X iff $\|\cdot\|$ satisfies parallelogram law.

Proof: Suppose $\|\cdot\|$ is induced by an inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. Then for $\|x\| = \langle x, x \rangle^{1/2}$, it is easily followed that

$$\|x+y\|^2 + \|x-y\|^2 = 2(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2) \quad (1)$$

Conversely, suppose $\|\cdot\|$ satisfies (1).

Write

$$4\langle x, y \rangle = \|x+y\|^2 - \|x-y\|^2$$

$$+ i(\|x+iy\|^2 - \|x-iy\|^2) \quad (2)$$

Then we claim that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ stands for inner product on X . Notice that (159)

$$(i) \langle x, x \rangle = \|x\|^2 \geq 0 \quad \& \quad \langle x, x \rangle = 0 \text{ iff } x = 0.$$

$$(ii) \langle x, y \rangle = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle} \quad (\text{from (2)})$$

$$(iii) (a) \langle \lambda x, y \rangle = \lambda \langle x, y \rangle$$

$$(b) \langle x+y, z \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle$$

(Easily followed from parallelogram law)

Now, if $d \in \mathbb{N}$, then from (iii)(b),

$$\langle d x, y \rangle = d \langle x, y \rangle.$$

For $d \in \mathbb{Q}$, $d = m/n \Rightarrow m = d n$.

$$\langle d n x, y \rangle = n \langle d x, y \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle d x, y \rangle = d \langle x, y \rangle. \quad (3)$$

By continuity of inner product, for $d \in \mathbb{R}$, $d_n \in \mathbb{Q}$, $d_n \rightarrow d$, (3) holds for $d \in \mathbb{R}$.

If $d = a+ib$, then from (iii)(a), it follows that (3) holds for $\forall d \in \mathbb{C}$.

Thus, $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is an inner product, which

is proved by 11.11.

Defⁿ: An IPS $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is said to be

Hilbert space if X is complete w.r.t. the norm induced by $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. (160)

Ex. Let $f, g \in C[0,1]$, and write $\langle f, g \rangle = \int fg$. Then $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is an IP on $C[0,1]$, but $(C[0,1], \|\cdot\|_2)$ is not complete.

Ex. For $1 \leq p < \infty$, $(\mathbb{R}^p, \|\cdot\|_p)$ becomes a Hilbert space iff $p=2$.

Proof: Since $(\mathbb{R}^p, \|\cdot\|_p)$ is complete, it is enough to show that $\|\cdot\|_p$ produces an inner product iff $p=2$. But $\|\cdot\|_p$ produces IP iff

$$(1) \quad \|x+y\|_p^2 + \|x-y\|_p^2 = 2(\|x\|_p^2 + \|y\|_p^2), \\ \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^p.$$

Let $x = (1, 0, 0, \dots)$ & $y = (0, 1, 0, \dots)$.

Then it follows from (1) that $p=2$.

Ex. For $1 \leq p < \infty$, $L^p(\mathbb{R})$ is a Hilbert space iff $p=2$.

For $f = \chi_{[0,1]}$ & $g = \chi_{[1,2]}$,

$$\text{by } \|f+g\|_p + \|f-g\|_p = 2(\|f\|_p + \|g\|_p),$$

it follows that $p=2$. Notice that

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Ex. let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be an inner product space. Then $\langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \omega^p \|x + \omega^p y\|^2$,
where ω is an n th root of unity.

Theorem: Let M be a non-empty closed convex subset of a Hilbert space H . Then M has a unique element of the smallest norm.

Proof: If $0 \in M$, then result holds trivially.

Let $0 \notin M$. Then write

$$\delta = \inf \{ \|x\| : x \in M \}$$

If $x, y \in M$, then $\frac{1}{2}(x+y) \in M$ and by parallelogram law,

$$\|x-y\|^2 = 2(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2) - 4 \left\| \frac{x+y}{2} \right\|^2$$

$$\leq 2(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2) - 4\delta^2 \quad (1)$$

Since δ is infimum, $\exists x_n \in M$ s.t.
 $\|x_n\| \rightarrow \delta$.

For $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, from (1)

$$\|x_n - x_m\| \rightarrow 2 \cdot 2\delta^2 - 4\delta^2 = 0.$$

Hence (x_n) is a b.c. in H and

$x_n \rightarrow x \in M$ ($\because M$ closed).

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Thus $\delta = \inf_{y \in M} \|x\| = \lim \|x_n\| = \|x\|$.

Suppose $\exists x_1, x_2 \in M$ s.t. $\|x_1\| = \|x_2\| = \delta$.

Then $\frac{1}{2}(x_1 + x_2) \in M$ and

$$\delta \leq \left\| \frac{1}{2}(x_1 + x_2) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2}\|x_1\| + \frac{1}{2}\|x_2\| = \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x_1 + x_2\| = 2\delta.$$

By parallelogram law,

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_1 - x_2\|^2 &= 2(\|x_1\|^2 + \|x_2\|^2 - (2\delta)^2) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $x_1 = x_2$.

Covallary: Let M be a closed convex subset of a Hilbert space H . Then for each $x \in H$, there exists unique $x_0 \in M$ s.t.

$$d(x, M) = \|x - x_0\|.$$

Proof: Note that

$$\inf_{y \in M} \|x - y\| = \inf_{z \in x - M} \|z\|.$$

Since $x - M$ is closed & convex, $\exists! x_0$ for $x - M$ s.t.

$$d(x, M) = \|x - x_0\|.$$

Notice that, from above, it follows that for each $x \in H$, $\exists!$ closest element of M .

Ex. Let S be a subset of an IPS X .
Write $S^\perp = \{x \in X : \langle x, y \rangle = 0, \forall y \in S\}$

Then (i) (a) $S \cap S^\perp = \{0\}$

(b) $S \cap S^\perp = \{0\}$ if S is a subspace of X .

(ii) $S \cap S^\perp = X$ & $X^\perp = \{0\}$

(iii) S^\perp is a closed subspace of X .

(iv) $S_1 \subset S_2 \Rightarrow S_2^\perp \subset S_1^\perp$

(v) $S \subset S^{\perp\perp}$

Hint: $S \perp S^\perp \Rightarrow \langle S, S^\perp \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow S \subset (S^\perp)^\perp = S^{\perp\perp}$

Theorem: Let M be a closed subspace of a Hilbert space H . Then

(a) for $x \in H$, $\exists!$ $u \in M$ and $v \in M^\perp$
s.t. $x = u + v$. That is,

$$H = M \oplus M^\perp$$

(b) $\exists P: H \rightarrow M$ with $Px = u$, and

$Q: H \rightarrow M^\perp$ with $Qx = v$, such that

- (i) $P(M) = M, Q(M^\perp) = M^\perp$
 $P(M^\perp) = \{0\}$ and $Q(M) = \{0\}$.
- (ii) $P^2 = P$ and $Q^2 = Q$
- (iii) $P, Q \in B(H)$ and $\|P\| = 1 = \|Q\|$
- (iv) $P(x)$ is a unique closest element of M to x , whereas $Q(x)$ is a unique closest element of M^\perp to x .

Proof: Let $x \in H$. Then $x + M$ is a closed convex subset of H .

By previous result, \exists unique smallest norm element of $x + M$, say $Qx \in x + M$

let $P(x) = x - Q(x)$.

Claim: Q maps H onto M^\perp . For this,

let $z = Qx$ and $y \in M$ with $\|y\| = 1$.

write $\alpha = \langle y, z \rangle$. Then

$$z - \alpha y = Qx - \alpha y \in x + M.$$

Since $\|z\| = \inf_{y \in x + M} \|y\|$, it follows

$$\text{that } \|z\|^2 \leq \|z - \alpha y\|^2 = \|z\|^2 - |\alpha|^2,$$

which is possible iff $\alpha = 0$.

Thus, $\langle Qx, y \rangle = 0, \forall y \in M$.

That is, $Qx \in M^\perp$, $\forall x \in H$. Thus, Q maps H into M^\perp & P maps H into M .

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Note that if $x \in H$, then

$$x = Px + Qx = u + v \in M + M^\perp$$

$$\Rightarrow H = M \oplus M^\perp \quad (\because M \cap M^\perp = \{0\})$$

(b) (i): Let $x \in M^\perp$, then $Px = x - Qx \in M^\perp \cap M = \{0\}$.

$$\Rightarrow Q(M^\perp) = M^\perp \quad (\because P(M^\perp) = \{0\})$$

Similarly, if $x \in M$, then $Q(M) = \{0\}$.

$$\Rightarrow P(M) = M.$$

Thus, P & Q both are onto maps.

(ii) For $x \in H$, $x = Px + Qx$. Then

$$Px = P^2x + P(Qx) = P^2x$$

$$\text{and } Qx = Q(Px) + Q^2x = Q^2x.$$

(iii) Note that P & Q are linear because

$$x = Px + Qx, \quad \forall x \in H.$$

Here,

$$P(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha Px + \beta Py$$

$$= \alpha x + \beta y - Q(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha(x - Qx) - \beta(y - Qy)$$

$$= \alpha Px + \beta Py$$

$$= \alpha Px + \beta Py - Q(\alpha x + \beta y) \in M^\perp \cap M = \{0\}.$$

$$\Rightarrow P \text{ \& } Q \text{ are linear.}$$

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Also, $x = Px + Qx$, ($\because Px \perp Qx$) (16)

$$\Rightarrow \|x\|^2 = \|Px\|^2 + \|Qx\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \|Px\| \leq \|x\| \Rightarrow \|P\| \leq 1, \text{ \& } \|Q\| \leq 1.$$

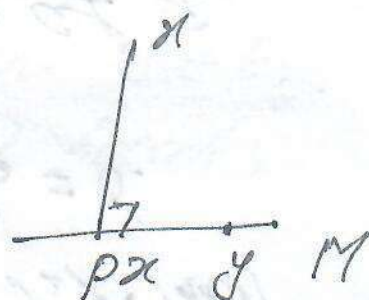
Let $x_0 \in M$ & $\|x_0\| = 1$. Then

$$\|P\| = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \|Px\| \geq \|Px_0\| = \|x_0\| = 1.$$

Hence, $\|P\| = 1 = \|Q\|$.

(iv) Let $y \in M$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|x-y\|^2 &= \|Px-y+Qx\|^2 \\ &= \|Px-y\|^2 + \|Qx\|^2 \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$



For (*) minimum will attain iff $y = Px$.

$$\Rightarrow \inf_{y \in M} \|x-y\| = \|x-Px\|$$

and similarly, $\inf_{y \in M^\perp} \|x-y\| = \|x-Qx\|$.

Riesz - Representation theorem.

If H is a Hilbert space then $H^* \cong H$, where H^* is the Conjugate dual of H .

Proof: By HBT, we are knowing that $H \subset H^*$. For $y \in H$, define

$$f_y(x) = \langle x, y \rangle \quad (*)$$

Then $|f(x)| \leq \|x\| \|y\| \Rightarrow \|f\| \leq \|y\|$.

Also, $\|y\|^2 = \langle y, y \rangle = f(y) \leq \|f\| \|y\|$

$$\Rightarrow \|f\| = \|y\| \quad (167)$$

Thus $f \in H^*$, $\forall y \in H$.

Conversely, suppose $f \in H^*$. Write

$M = \ker f$. Then for $z \in M^\perp$ with $\|z\| = 1$

$$x - \frac{f(x)}{f(z)} z \in \ker f$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle x - \frac{f(x)}{f(z)} z, z \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \langle x, f(z) z \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle = f_y(x),$$

where $y = f(z) z$. Hence $f = f_y$.

Notice that representation in (*) is

unique. If $f(x) = \langle x, y_1 \rangle = \langle x, y_2 \rangle$. Then

$$y_1 - y_2 \perp x \quad \forall x \in H \Rightarrow y_1 - y_2 = 0.$$

Orthonormal set:

A subset E of a Hilbert space H is said to be orthonormal if each $e \in E$, $\|e\|=1$, and for each pair of points $e_i, e_j \in E$, $e_i \perp e_j$ if $i \neq j$.

Note that the family \mathcal{F} of all orthonormal sets in H is partially ordered under set inclusion. If $\{E_i\}_{i \in I}$ is a chain in \mathcal{F} , then $\bigcup_{i \in I} E_i$ is an upper bound for $\{E_i\}_{i \in I}$.

Hence, by Zorn's Lemma, \mathcal{F} has a maximal element, say E_∞ . E_∞ is known as orthonormal basis of H .

That is, every Hilbert space has an orthonormal basis (ONB).

Lemma: Let $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ be an orthonormal set in Hilbert space H . Then for each $x \in H$,

$$(i) \quad x - \sum_{j=1}^n \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j \perp e_k, \quad \forall k=1, 2, \dots, n. \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$(ii) \quad \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j \right\|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n |\langle x, e_j \rangle|^2 \quad (2)$$

Proof: $\langle x - \sum_{j=1}^n \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j, e_k \rangle = \langle x, e_k \rangle - \langle x, e_k \rangle = 0.$

$$\Rightarrow \langle x - S_n, e_k \rangle = 0, \text{ where } S_n = \sum_{j=1}^n \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j.$$

Now,

$$\|S_n\|^2 = \langle S_n, S_n \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \langle x, e_j \rangle \overline{\langle x, e_k \rangle}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \langle x, e_j \rangle e_j \right\|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n |\langle x, e_j \rangle|^2$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \|x - S_n\|^2 &= \langle x - S_n, x \rangle - \langle x - S_n, S_n \rangle \\ &= \|x\|^2 - \langle S_n, x \rangle - 0 \quad (\text{by (1)}) \\ &= \|x\|^2 - \sum_{j=1}^n |\langle x, e_j \rangle|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } \sum_{j=1}^n |\langle x, e_j \rangle|^2 \leq \|x\|^2, \quad \forall x \in H. \quad (3)$$

This is known as finite Bessel inequality.

Lemma: Let $\{e_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ be an orthonormal set (ONS), then for each $x \in H$, the set $E = \{\alpha \in I : \langle x, e_\alpha \rangle \neq 0\}$ is countable.

Proof: Let $E_n = \{\alpha : |\langle x, e_\alpha \rangle|^2 > \frac{\|x\|^2}{n}\}$

Then by finite Bessel inequality, E_n contains at most $n-1$ elements.

Also, if $u \in E$, then $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$|\langle x, u \rangle|^2 > \frac{\|x\|^2}{n}, \text{ else } \langle x, u \rangle = 0.$$

Hence, $E = \cup E_n$ is countable.

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Bessel inequality:

Let $\{e_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be an ONS in a Hilbert space H . Then for each $x \in H$,

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |\langle x, e_n \rangle|^2 \leq \|x\|^2 < \infty. \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Note that sum in (1) is on countable set, since E is countable.

Proof: For $x \in H$, \exists only countably many e_n s.t. $\langle x, e_n \rangle \neq 0$. Let us write them as $\{e_{n_i}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$. Then from finite Bessel inequality,

$$\sum_{i=1}^k |\langle x, e_{n_i} \rangle|^2 \leq \|x\|^2 < \infty.$$

Letting $k \rightarrow \infty$, we get the required.

Now, we are going to see that every vector in a Hilbert space has series expansion. This is known as Parseval formula. This will be followed by the fact that every Hilbert space has an ONB.

Parseval Identity:

Let $\{e_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ be an ONB of a Hilbert space H . Then for $x \in H$, (17)

$$x = \sum_{\alpha \in I} \langle x, e_\alpha \rangle e_\alpha$$

and $\|x\|^2 = \sum_{\alpha \in I} |\langle x, e_\alpha \rangle|^2$ } both the sums are countable.

Proof: Let $x \in H$, then $\langle x, e_\alpha \rangle \neq 0$ only for countably many $\alpha \in I$. Let

$$E = \{e_n : \langle x, e_n \rangle \neq 0, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

Write $y_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, e_i \rangle e_i$. Then by Bessel inequality, for $m > n$, it follows that

$$\|y_m - y_n\|^2 = \sum_{i=n+1}^m |\langle x, e_i \rangle|^2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence (y_n) is a c.l. in H , and $y_n \rightarrow y \in H$. Now, we need to show that $x = y$.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x - y, e_j \rangle &= \langle x, e_j \rangle - \langle y, e_j \rangle \\ &= \langle x, e_j \rangle - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, e_i \rangle e_i, e_j \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

($\because \|y_n - y\| \rightarrow 0$ & $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is conti)

$$= \langle x, e_j \rangle - \langle x, e_j \rangle = 0.$$

Further, if $e_\beta \in \{e_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ and $e_\beta \notin E$, then $\langle x, e_\beta \rangle = 0$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x-y, e_\beta \rangle &= \langle x, e_\beta \rangle - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, e_i \rangle \langle e_i, e_\beta \rangle \\ &= 0 - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, e_i \rangle 0 = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (179)$$

Thus, $\langle x-y, e_\alpha \rangle = 0, \forall \alpha \in I$.

$$\Rightarrow x-y = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sum_{\alpha \in I} \langle x, e_\alpha \rangle e_\alpha.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\|^2 - \sum_{\alpha \in I} |\langle x, e_\alpha \rangle|^2 &= \|x\|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\langle x, e_i \rangle|^2 \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\|x\|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle x, e_i \rangle|^2 \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| x - \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, e_i \rangle e_i \right\|^2 \\ &= 0 \quad (\text{by first part}) \end{aligned}$$

Gram-Schmidt process:

Let $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ be a l.i. set in a Hilbert space H . Write $e_1 = \frac{x_1}{\|x_1\|}$ and

$$e_n = x_n - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \langle x_j, e_j \rangle e_j, \quad n \geq 2.$$

Then $\{e_1, e_2, \dots\}$ is an orthonormal set in H .

Ex. It is easy to see that $\{e^{-t^2/2}, t e^{-t^2/2}, \dots\}$ is a l.i. set in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$.

Write $f_n(t) = (-1)^n e^{-t^2/2} \frac{d^n}{dt^n} e^{-t^2/2}$; $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$

(Using Gram-Schmidt process and ...)

integration by parts. Then

$f_n(t) = H_n(t) e^{-t^2/2}$, where H_n is Hermite polynomial. (173)

The set $\{f_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is an ONB for $L^2(\mathbb{R})$.

To show completeness of this set, suppose

$$\exists g \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) \text{ s.t. } \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(t) e^{-t^2/2} t^n dt = 0.$$

$$\text{For } G(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-t^2/2} e^{itz} dt, \quad G \text{ is}$$

an entire function on \mathbb{C} , and its all derivatives is 0 at 0. Hence, $G(z) = 0$.

$$\text{In particular, } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-t^2/2} e^{itx} dt = 0$$

By Fourier inversion, $g = 0$.

Theorem: A Hilbert space is separable iff it has countable orthonormal basis (ONB).

Proof: Suppose it is separable and $A = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ be a dense set in it. By Q2, Assignment 2,

it must have an infinite L.I dense set say $B = \{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset A$.

By Gram-Schmidt process, we can assume that $\{e_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is an ONB. Since

$\overline{\text{span } B} = H$, it follows that $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is
an ONB for H . (174)

Conversely, if H has a countable ONB, then
it is also a Schauder basis, and hence
separable.

Theorem: Every infinite dimensional separable
Hilbert space is isomorphic to ℓ^2 .

Proof: Let $A = \{e_1, e_2, \dots\}$ be an ONB for H .

Define $F: H \rightarrow \ell^2$

$$F(x) = (\langle x, e_1 \rangle, \langle x, e_2 \rangle, \dots)$$

Then $\|F(x)\|^2 = \sum |\langle x, e_n \rangle|^2 = \|x\|^2 < \infty$.

$$\Rightarrow \|F(x)\| = \|x\|.$$

Hence, F is one-one isometry.

Let $y \in \ell^2$ and $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots)$. write

$$x = \sum y_n e_n. \text{ Then } \|x\|^2 = \sum |\langle y_n, e_n \rangle|^2 < \infty,$$

and $F(x) = y$. Hence F is onto.

This proves the result.

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