

Definitions and facts leading to the spectral theorem

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Notation: \forall ="for all", \exists ="there exists", \mathcal{H} is a separable Hilbert space, T is an (unbounded) operator on \mathcal{H} , $T - z = T - zI$, $U \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ is a unitary operator, and A is an (unbounded) self-adjoint operator on \mathcal{H} .

def p 36 an operator T is a linear map on \mathcal{H} with a dense domain $\mathcal{D}(T)$

def p 38 the adjoint of T is an operator T^* , with domain

$$\mathcal{D}(T^*) = \{v \in \mathcal{H} : \ell(u) = \langle v, Tu \rangle \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}, \mathbb{C})\},$$

so that $\langle T^*v, u \rangle = \langle v, Tu \rangle$ for all $v \in \mathcal{D}(T^*)$, $u \in \mathcal{D}(T)$

def p 41 an operator is *closed* if its graph is a closed subset of $\mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{H}$

fact p 43 the adjoint T^* is always closed

fact p 44 $T = T^{**}$ if T is closed

fact p 44 T closable $\iff \mathcal{D}(T^*)$ dense

fact p 44 **closed graph theorem.** when $\mathcal{D}(T) = \mathcal{H}$: T closed $\iff T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$

def p 46 T has bounded inverse: $\exists T^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ s.t. $TT^{-1} = I$ on \mathcal{H} and $T^{-1}T = I$ on $\mathcal{D}(T)$

fact p 46 $T^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}) \iff T$ is closed, T is bounded away from zero, and $\text{range}(T)$ dense

def p 47 A is self-adjoint if $A^* = A$

\leftarrow requires: $\mathcal{D}(A^*) = \mathcal{D}(A)$

def p 47 T is symmetric if $\langle Tu, v \rangle = \langle u, Tv \rangle$ for all $v \in \mathcal{D}(T)$

fact p 47 T is symmetric $\implies T$ is closable

fact p 47 A is self-adjoint $\implies A$ is symmetric

def p 47 T is positive if $\langle v, Tv \rangle \geq 0$ for all $v \in \mathcal{D}(T)$

def p 67 eigenvalue and eigenvector: $T\phi = \lambda\phi$ for $\phi \in \mathcal{D}(T) \setminus \{0\}$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$

def p 68 spectrum: the set $\sigma(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ does not have a bounded inverse}\}$

def p 68 resolvent set: $\rho(T) = \mathbb{C} \setminus \sigma(T)$

def p 68 if $z \in \rho(T)$ then $R_z = (T - z)^{-1}$ is the resolvent operator

fact p 68 if T is not closed then $\sigma(T) = \mathbb{C}$

fact p 69 if T is bounded then $\sigma(T) \subset B_{\|T\|}(0)$

fact p 69 $\sigma(T^*) = \sigma(T)^*$, $\rho(T^*) = \rho(T)^*$, and $[(T - z)^{-1}]^* = (T - \bar{z})^{-1}$

fact p 71 for $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ measurable and M_f a multiplication operator on $L^2(X, d\mu)$:

$\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ is an eigenvalue of $M_f \iff \mu(f^{-1}(\lambda)) > 0$

def p 71 ess-range $f = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \mu(f^{-1}(B_\epsilon(z))) > 0 \forall \epsilon > 0\}$

fact p 71 $\sigma(M_f) = \text{ess-range } f$

fact p 71 $\|(M_f - z)^{-1}\| = \left(\text{dist}(z, \sigma(M_f))\right)^{-1}$

fact p 83 if T closed then $\rho(T)$ is open and $R_z = (T - z)^{-1}$ is analytic in z on $\rho(T)$

fact p 85 if T is bounded then $\sigma(T) \neq \emptyset$

def p 85 *spectral radius*: $r(T) = \sup_{z \in \sigma(T)} |z|$

fact p 85 if T bounded then $r(T) \leq \|T\|$

fact p 86 $\sigma(A) \subset \mathbb{R}$ ← **recall notation**: A is self-adjoint

fact p 87 $z \in \sigma(A) \iff \exists \{u_n\} \subset \mathcal{D}(A)$ s.t. $\|u_n\| = 1$ and $\|(A - z)u_n\| \rightarrow 0$

def p 17 U is *unitary* if it is bijective and an isometry (i.e. $\|Ux\| = \|x\| \forall x \in \mathcal{H}$)

fact p 17 U unitary $\iff U$ bijective & $\langle Ux, Uy \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle \forall x, y \in \mathcal{H}$

fact p 102 U unitary $\iff U \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ and $UU^* = U^*U = I$

def p 102 *functional calculus*: on T we can apply a function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ to create an operator $f(T)$

def p 102 $\mathbb{S} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1\}$ and $C(\mathbb{S}) = \{f : \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ is continuous (and periodic)}\}$

fact p 103 **continuous functional calculus for unitaries**. fix U unitary. there is a map $C(\mathbb{S}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$, $f \mapsto f(U)$ so that

(0) if $f(z) = 1$ then $f(U) = I$

(a) $f(U)^* = \overline{f}(U)$

(b) $f(U)g(U) = (fg)(U)$

← **thus**: $f(U)g(U) = g(U)f(U)$

(c) if $f \geq 0$ then $f(U) \geq 0$

(d) $\|f(U)\| = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{S}} |f(z)|$

def p 105 if X is a metric space then $C(X) = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ continuous}\}$

def p 105 $\beta : C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is *positive* if $f \geq 0 \implies \beta(f) \geq 0$

fact p 105 **Riesz representation theorem**. suppose X is a compact metric space and $\beta : C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is linear and positive. there is a unique positive Borel measure on X so that

$$\beta(f) = \int_X f d\mu \quad \forall f \in C(X)$$

def p 105 for U unitary and $v \in \mathcal{H}$ the *spectral measure* is μ_v on \mathbb{S} so that $\langle v, f(U)v \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{S}} f d\mu_v$

fact p 106 for μ from the Riesz representation theorem, $C(X) \subset L^2(X, \mu)$ is dense

fact p 107 **spectral theorem for unitaries**. if \mathcal{H} is a separable Hilbert space and $U \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ is unitary then there is a countable collection of finite measures ν_k on \mathbb{S} , and a measurable space $(Y, \nu) = \cup_k (\mathbb{S}, \nu_k)$, and a unitary map $W : L^2(Y, \nu) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$, so that

$$W^{-1}UW = M_\eta$$

where $M_\eta \in \mathcal{L}(L^2(Y, \nu))$ is a bounded multiplication operator and $\eta : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is equal to $\eta(z) = z$ on each copy of \mathbb{S}

def p 108 the *Cayley transform* $\gamma(z) = \frac{z - i}{z + i}$ maps \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{S}

fact p 108 **spectral theorem (multiplication operator form)**. if \mathcal{H} is a separable Hilbert space and A is self-adjoint on \mathcal{H} then there is a countable collection of finite Borel measures μ_k on \mathbb{R} , and a measurable space $(X, \mu) = \cup_k (\mathbb{R}, \mu_k)$, and a unitary map $Q : L^2(X, \mu) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$, so that

$$Q^{-1}AQ = M_\alpha$$

where $M_\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(L^2(X, \mu))$ is a (generally unbounded) multiplication operator and $\alpha : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is equal to $\alpha(x) = x$ on each copy of \mathbb{R}