

Hilbert-Schmidt operators

Review of $H = \mathbb{C}^n$ let A be an $n \times n$ complex matrix.

Recall the defⁿ of the Frobenius norm of A :

$$\|A\|_F = \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n |a_{ij}|^2 \right)^{1/2} = (\text{trace } A^* A)^{1/2}$$

Let us compare $\|A\|_F$ to the standard norm $\|A\| = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|Ax\|}{\|x\|}$

$$\|Ax\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle r^{(i)}, x \rangle|^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle r^{(i)}, x \rangle|^2 \|x\|^2 = \|A\|_F^2 \|x\|^2$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -r^{(1)} \\ -r^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ -r^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{C-S} \quad \text{so } \|A\| \leq \|A\|_F$$

Homework: (a) Show $\|A\| \leq \|A\|_F \leq \sqrt{n} \|A\|$

(b) Find matrices B & C s.t. $\|B\| = \|B\|_F$

$$\sqrt{n} \|C\| = \|C\|_F$$

Now let $(\varphi^{(j)})_{j=1}^n$ be an ON-basis for H .

$$\text{We have } \sum_{j=1}^n \|A\varphi^{(j)}\|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle r^{(i)}, \varphi^{(j)} \rangle|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle r^{(i)}, x \rangle|^2 = \|A\|_F^2$$

Alternative defⁿ: Let $(\varphi^{(j)})_{j=1}^n$ be an ON-basis. Set $\|A\|_F = \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \|A\varphi^{(j)}\|^2 \right)^{1/2}$

Now suppose A has an ON-basis such that

$$A\varphi^{(n)} = \lambda_n \varphi^{(n)}$$

$$\text{Then } \|A\|_F^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n \|A\varphi^{(j)}\|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n |\lambda_j|^2$$

General Hilbert Space

Lemma Let H be a H.S. and let $A \in \mathcal{B}(H)$.

Let (φ_i) & (ψ_j) be ON-bases for H .

Then $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|A\varphi_j\|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|A\psi_j\|^2$. (Either both are infinite, or they are both finite and identical.)

Def' If for some ON-basis (φ_i) it is the case that $\sum \|A\varphi_i\|^2 < \infty$, then we say that A is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator, and define $\|A\|_{H.S.} = \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|A\varphi_j\|^2 \right)^{1/2}$.

Note: The def' does not depend on the choice of basis!

Claim Every H-S operator is compact, but not every compact operator is H-S.

Lemma $\|A\| \leq \|A\|_{H.S.}$.

Lemma If H has an ON-basis (φ_i) s.t. $A\varphi_i = \lambda_i \varphi_i$, then

$$\|A\|_{H.S.} = \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_j|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

Example $H = \ell^2$ $(\lambda_j)_{j=1}^\infty$ is a seq in \mathbb{C} . AA2 54

$$Ax = (\lambda_1 x_1, \lambda_2 x_2, \lambda_3 x_3, \dots)$$

$(e_j)_{j=1}^\infty$ is an ON-basis for H s.t. $A e_j = \lambda_j e_j$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

We have: A is bdd $\Leftrightarrow \sup |\lambda_j| < \infty$

A is compact $\Leftrightarrow |\lambda_j| \rightarrow 0$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$

A is H-S $\Leftrightarrow \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_j|^2 < \infty$

Example $H = L^2(\Omega)$ for $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$[Au](x) = \int_{\Omega} k(x, y) u(y) dA(y)$$

$$\|A\|_{HS}^2 = \int_{\Omega} \int_{\Omega} |k(x, y)|^2 dA(y) \text{ so } A \text{ is H-S} \Leftrightarrow k \in L^2(\Omega^2)$$

If A is also S-A, then $\exists (\varphi_n)$ & (λ_n) s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} [Au](x) &= \sum \lambda_n \varphi_n(x) (\varphi_n, u) = \sum \lambda_n \varphi_n(x) \int_{\Omega} \varphi_n(y) u(y) dA(y) = \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \left(\sum \lambda_n \varphi_n(x) \overline{\varphi_n(y)} \right) u(y) dA(y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } k(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \varphi_n(x) \overline{\varphi_n(y)}$$

FUNCTIONS OF OPERATORS

Let $f(z) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 z + \alpha_2 z^2 + \dots + \alpha_d z^d$

be a complex valued polynomial ($\alpha_j \in \mathbb{C}$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$).

It is obvious how to define $f(A)$ for $A \in \mathcal{B}(H)$:

$$f(A) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 A + \alpha_2 A^2 + \dots + \alpha_d A^d$$

If A admits a spectral decompos ~~tion~~ $A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n P_n$

where $P_n P_m = 0$ & $P_n^2 = P_n$ then $A^k = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n^k P_n$.

It follows that $f(A) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(\lambda_n) P_n$.

Now let us generalize slightly to analytic functions.

Let $f(z)$ be analytic on $B_0(R)$, in other words, the sum

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n z^n \text{ converges absolutely for } |z| < R.$$

Then if $A \in \mathcal{B}(H)$ is an operator s.t. $\|A\| < R$,

the sum $f_N(A) = \sum_{n=0}^N \alpha_n A^n$ converges in norm.

(You can easily prove that it is Cauchy.)

We define $f(A)$ as the limit: $f(A) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n A^n$.

Example $f(z) = (1-z)^{-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ for $|z| < R = 1$

$$f(A) = (I-A)^{-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A^n \text{ for } \|A\| < R = 1$$

Example $f(z) = \exp(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$ for $|z| < R = \infty$ AA2 (56)

$$f(A) = \exp(A) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} A^n \text{ for any } A \in \mathbb{B}(H).$$

If $A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n P_n$ and $r(A) = \sup |\lambda_n| < R$, then you can

Prove that $f(A) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(\lambda_n) P_n$.

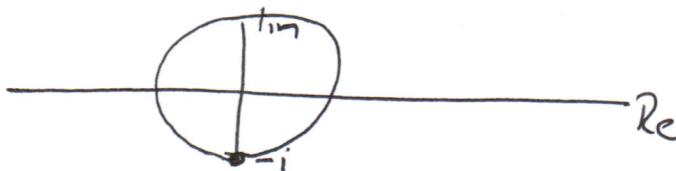
However: The sum $f(A) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(\lambda_n) P_n$ may be norm convergent even when $r(A) > R$.

When it is, we use

$$\boxed{f(A) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(\lambda_n) P_n}$$

as the definition of $f(A)$.

Example $f(z) = \frac{z-i}{z+i}$



The radius of analyticity is only 1, so the def'n via power series would work only when $\|A\| < 1$.

But if $A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n P_n$ and $|\lambda_{n+1}| > 8$ for all n ,

then $f(A) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_n - i}{\lambda_n + i} P_n$ is well defined,

with $\|f(A)\| \leq 1/8$ since

Note that if $A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n P_n$ and $\lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$ (i.e. A is self-adjoint),

then $|\frac{\lambda_n - i}{\lambda_n + i}| = 1$ so A is unitary if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_n = I$.

More generally, it can be shown that if A is any self-adjoint operator, then $B = (A - iI)(A + iI)^{-1}$ is unitary. (This conversion is known as a Cayley transform.)

General theory (for orientation only).

If $A \in \mathcal{B}$ is normal bounded operator,
then A admits a spectral decomposition

$$A = \int \lambda dP(\lambda)$$

where $P \in \sigma(A)$
 P is a "projection valued measure".

The special case $A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n P_n$ occurs
 when all of $\sigma(A)$ consists of eigenvalues
 (with possibly the additional point 0 in $\sigma_c(A)$.)

If f is continuous & bdd on $\sigma(A)$ we define

$$f(A) = \int f(\lambda) dP(\lambda).$$

Then $f(\sigma(A)) = \sigma(f(A))$.

Note: $f(\sigma(A)) \subseteq \{z : |z|=1\} \Rightarrow f(A)$ is unitary
 $f(\sigma(A)) \subset \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow f(A)$ is S-A
 $\operatorname{Re}(f(\sigma(A))) = 0 \Rightarrow f(A)$ is skew-adjoint.
 $f(A)$ is always normal.