

Solutions

- ① Show that $u''(x) + \sin^2(ux) = x$, $x \in [0,1]$ with $u(0) = u(1) = 0$ has a unique solution $u \in C^2([0,1])$.

Solution: We calculate the Green's function $g(x,t)$ for $L = \left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)^2$ and $R_1 u = u(0) = 0$, $R_2 u = u(1) = 0$.

With $u_1(x) = 1$, $u_2(x) = 0$ a basis for $\mathcal{N}(L)$ we set

$$g(x,t) = \underbrace{(a_1(t)u_1(x) + a_2(t)u_2(x))}_{= e(x,t)} \Theta(x-t) + b_1(t)u_1(x) + b_2(t)u_2(x)$$

where

$$\begin{cases} e(x,t) = 0, & e'_x(t,t) = 1, & t \in [0,1] \\ R_1 g(\cdot, t) = R_2 g(\cdot, t) = 0, & t \in (0,1). \end{cases}$$

This yields $a_1(t) = -t$, $a_2(t) = 1$, $b_1(t) = 0$, $b_2(t) = t-1$ and we have

$$g(x,t) = (x-t)\Theta(x-t) + (t-1)x = \begin{cases} (t-1)x & 0 \leq x < t \leq 1 \\ (x-t)t & 0 \leq t < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Now set $T(u)(x) = \int_0^1 g(x,t) (t - \sin^2(ut)) dt$, $x \in [0,1]$.

Here $T: C([0,1]) \rightarrow C([0,1])$ and if T has a unique fixed point in $C([0,1])$ then the BVP has a unique solution $u \in C^2([0,1])$. Assume that $C([0,1])$ is equipped with the max-norm, i.e. $\|h\| = \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |h(x)|$, and so $(C([0,1]), \|\cdot\|)$ is a Banach space.

T is a contraction on $C([0,1])$ since for $v, w \in C([0,1])$

$$\begin{aligned} |T(v)(x) - T(w)(x)| &= \left| \int_0^1 g(x,t) (\sin^2(vt) - \sin^2(wt)) dt \right| \leq \\ &\leq \int_0^1 |g(x,t)| \underbrace{|\sin^2(vt) - \sin^2(wt)|}_{\leq \max_{\xi \in \mathbb{R}} |\sin(2\xi)| \|v-w\| = \|v-w\|} dt \leq \\ &\leq \int_0^1 |g(x,t)| dt \cdot \|v-w\| \end{aligned}$$

by the mean value theorem

We see that $g(x,t) \leq 0$ and hence $j(x) \equiv \int_0^1 g(x,t) (-1) dt$ is a solution to $j''(x) = -1$, $j(0) = j(1) = 0$ i.e. $j(x) = \frac{1}{2}x(1-x)$

This gives $\max_{x \in [0,1]} j(x) = \frac{1}{8}$ and

$$\|T(v) - T(w)\| \leq \frac{1}{8} \|v - w\| \quad \text{for all } v, w \in C([0,1]).$$

Banach's fixed point theorem now gives that T has a unique fixed point and hence the BVP has a unique solution in $C^1([0,1])$.

② For $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \ell^2$ set $T(x) = y = (y_1, y_2, \dots)$ where $y_1 = x_1$, $y_m = \frac{1}{2^{m-1}}(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m)$, $m = 2, 3, \dots$. Show that $T \in \mathcal{B}(\ell^2, \ell^2)$ and T not surjective.

Solution: For $x \in \ell^2$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(x)\|_{\ell^2}^2 &= |x_1|^2 + \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2^{m-1}} |x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m| \right)^2 \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{m-1}} \left(\sum_{k=1}^m |x_k| \right)^2 \leq \left\{ \left(\sum_{k=1}^m |x_k| \right) \leq \sqrt{m} \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^m |x_k|^2} \text{ by Hölder} \right\} \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{m}{2^{m-1}} |x_k|^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{m=k}^{\infty} \frac{m}{2^{m-1}} \right) |x_k|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Here $\sum_{m=k}^{\infty} \frac{m}{2^{m-1}} \leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{m}{2^{m-1}}$ converges in $(\mathbb{R}, |\cdot|)$

e.g. by the root test $\sqrt[m]{\frac{m}{2^{m-1}}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$, $m \rightarrow \infty$.

Set $M = \left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{m}{2^{m-1}} \right)^{1/2}$. Then

$$\|T(x)\|_{\ell^2} \leq M \|x\|_{\ell^2} \quad \text{for all } x \in \ell^2.$$

To show that T is not surjective we note that

$$y = (y_1, y_2, \dots) \quad \text{with } y_1 = 1, y_m = \frac{m}{2^{m-1}} \quad m = 2, 3, \dots$$

we note that $y = T(x)$ where $x = (1, 1, \dots) \notin \ell^2$.

③ $T: L^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R})$ defined by $T(f)(x) = f(x+1)$ all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Show a) $T \in \mathcal{B}(L^2(\mathbb{R}), L^2(\mathbb{R}))$, calculate $\|T\|$

b) T has no eigenvalues

Solution: a) T linear: For $f, \tilde{f} \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and $\alpha, \tilde{\alpha}$ scalars

$$\begin{aligned} T(\alpha f + \tilde{\alpha} \tilde{f})(x) &= (\alpha f + \tilde{\alpha} \tilde{f})(x+1) = \alpha f(x+1) + \tilde{\alpha} \tilde{f}(x+1) = \\ &= \alpha T(f)(x) + \tilde{\alpha} T(\tilde{f})(x) = (\alpha T(f) + \tilde{\alpha} T(\tilde{f}))(x), \end{aligned}$$

Hence T linear.

$$\|T(f)\|_{L^2}^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |T(f)(x)|^2 dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x+1)|^2 dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x)|^2 dx = \|f\|_{L^2}^2$$

Hence T bounded and $\|T\| = 1$

b) Assume λ eigenvalue with an eigenfunction f .

WLOG we assume $\|f\|_{L^2} = 1$.

Assume $|\lambda| \neq 1$: $f(x+1) = T(f)(x) = \lambda f(x)$ all $x \in \mathbb{R}$

implies $\|f\|_{L^2} = \|\lambda f\|_{L^2} = |\lambda| \|f\|_{L^2}$

Hence, no eigenvalue with $|\lambda| \neq 1$

Assume $|\lambda| = 1$: Fix $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}}$, see (*) below

$C_0(\mathbb{R})$ dense in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$. Choose $g \in C_0(\mathbb{R})$

s.t. $\|f - g\|_{L^2} < \varepsilon$.

Since g has compact support there exists $R > 0$

s.t. $\text{supp } g \equiv \overline{\{x \in \mathbb{R} : g(x) \neq 0\}} \subset [-R, R]$.

Moreover note that for all positive integers m

$$f(x+m) = \lambda^m f(x), \text{ all } x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Fix m large enough s.t. $\text{supp } g \cap \text{supp } g(\cdot+m) = \emptyset$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(\cdot+m) - \lambda^m f(\cdot)\|_{L^2} &= \|f(\cdot+m) - g(\cdot+m) + g(\cdot+m) - \lambda^m g(\cdot) + \lambda^m g(\cdot) - \lambda^m f(\cdot)\|_{L^2} \\ &\geq \|g(\cdot+m) - \lambda^m g(\cdot)\|_{L^2} - (\|f(\cdot+m) - g(\cdot+m)\|_{L^2} + |\lambda|^m \|f(\cdot) - g(\cdot)\|_{L^2}) \\ &\geq \|g(\cdot+m) - \lambda^m g(\cdot)\|_{L^2} - 2\varepsilon = \\ &= \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} |g(x+m)|^2 dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}} (|\lambda|^m |g(x)|)^2 dx \right)^{1/2} - 2\varepsilon = \\ &= (2\|g\|_{L^2}^2)^{1/2} - 2\varepsilon = \sqrt{2} \|g\|_{L^2} - 2\varepsilon = \sqrt{2} (\|g\|_{L^2} - \sqrt{2}\varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

But $\|g\|_{L^2} \geq \|f\|_{L^2} - \|f - g\|_{L^2} > 1 - \varepsilon$

Hence $\|f(\cdot+m) - \lambda^m f(\cdot)\|_{L^2} \geq \sqrt{2} (1 - \varepsilon - \sqrt{2}\varepsilon) =$

$$(*) = \sqrt{2} (1 - (1+\sqrt{2})\varepsilon) > 0 \quad \text{provided } 0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}}$$

Contradiction. Hence T has no eigenvalue with

$|\lambda| = 1$.

④ & ⑤: see textbook and [k].

⑥ E complex Hilbert space and $T \in \mathcal{B}(E, E)$ with $\langle Tx, x \rangle \geq 0$ all $x \in E$.

Show $|\langle Tx, y \rangle|^2 \leq \langle Tx, x \rangle \cdot \langle Ty, y \rangle$ all $x, y \in E$.

Solution: From Homework assignment 3 we

know that T is self-adjoint. $\langle Tx, x \rangle = \langle x, Tx \rangle =$
 $= \langle T^*x, x \rangle$ all $x \in E$ or $\langle (T - T^*)(x), x \rangle = 0$ all

$x \in E$. Set $A = T - T^*$ and note that for all $x, y \in E$

$$\begin{cases} 0 = \langle A(x+y), x+y \rangle = \langle A(x), y \rangle + \langle A(y), x \rangle \\ 0 = \langle A(x+iy), x+iy \rangle = i(-\langle A(x), y \rangle + \langle A(y), x \rangle) \end{cases}$$

and so $\langle A(x), y \rangle = 0$ all $x, y \in E$. Hence $A(x) = 0$ all $x \in E$ and $A = 0$ \square

For $x, y \in E$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \langle T(\alpha x + y), \alpha x + y \rangle &= \langle T(y), y \rangle + \alpha \langle Tx, y \rangle + \\ &+ \bar{\alpha} \langle T(y), x \rangle + |\alpha|^2 \langle Tx, x \rangle = \{T \text{ self-adjoint}\} = \\ &= \langle T(y), y \rangle + \alpha \langle Tx, y \rangle + \bar{\alpha} \underbrace{\langle y, Tx \rangle}_{\langle Tx, y \rangle} + |\alpha|^2 \langle Tx, x \rangle = \\ &= \langle T(y), y \rangle + 2\operatorname{Re}(\alpha \langle Tx, y \rangle) + |\alpha|^2 \langle Tx, x \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Assume $\langle Tx, y \rangle \neq 0$ otherwise there is nothing to prove

Set $\alpha = e^{-i \arg \langle Tx, y \rangle} \cdot t$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$0 \leq \langle T(y), y \rangle + 2t |\langle Tx, y \rangle| + t^2 \langle Tx, x \rangle \quad \text{all } t \in \mathbb{R}$$

Then $\langle Tx, x \rangle > 0$ since otherwise there will be a

contradiction as $t \rightarrow -\infty$. Set $t = -\frac{|\langle Tx, y \rangle|}{\langle Tx, x \rangle}$

(minimizing the RHS). This gives

$$|\langle Tx, y \rangle|^2 \leq \langle Tx, x \rangle \langle T(y), y \rangle. \quad \square$$