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(1)

Let $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_H, \|\cdot\|_H)$ be an \mathbb{R} -Hilbert space

Let $A: D(A) \subseteq H \rightarrow H$ be a linear diagonal operator

Prove that A is symmetric, that is

$$\langle Ax, y \rangle_H = \langle x, Ay \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in D(A)$$

Proof:

Since A is diagonal, there exists $B \subset H$ ONB
and $\lambda: B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ s.t

$$Ax = \sum_{b \in B} \lambda_b \langle x, b \rangle_H b$$

Further, it holds $y = \sum_{b \in B} \langle y, b \rangle_H b$

By a result from the lecture notes we know that there exists
a sequence $\{b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset B$ s.t for all $b \in B \setminus \{b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$

it holds that $|\langle x, b \rangle| = |\langle y, b \rangle| = 0$

Therefore

$$\langle Ax, y \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{b_n} \langle x, b_n \rangle b_n, y \right\rangle$$

$$\stackrel{\text{by continuity of the inner product}}{=} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle x, b_n \rangle \langle b_n, y \rangle$$

$$\stackrel{\text{by continuity of the inner product}}{=} \left\langle x, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{b_n} \langle b_n, y \rangle b_n \right\rangle$$

$$= \langle x, Ay \rangle$$

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The point spectrum is given by

$$\sigma_p(A) = \{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Ker}(A - \lambda \text{Id}) \neq \{0\} \}$$

To show: If A is diagonal, then $\sigma_p(A) = \text{Im}(\lambda)$

" \supset ": For every $b \in B$ it holds

$$Ab = \sum_{b' \in B} \lambda_{b'} \underbrace{\langle b, b' \rangle}_{= 0 \text{ if } b \neq b'} b' = \lambda_b b$$

$$\Rightarrow b \in \text{Ker}(A - \lambda_b \text{Id}) \Rightarrow \lambda_b \in \sigma_p(A) \quad \forall b \in B.$$

This proves $\text{Im}(\lambda) \subset \sigma_p(A)$.

" \subset ": Let $\mu \in \sigma_p(A)$, then $\exists x_\mu \in D(A)$ such that

$$Ax_\mu = \mu \cdot x_\mu, \quad x_\mu \neq 0$$

(Consider the norm $\|Ax_\mu - \mu x_\mu\|^2 \stackrel{!}{=} 0$ (by the choice of x_μ))

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \|Ax_\mu - \mu x_\mu\|^2 &= \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\mu - \lambda_{b_n}) \langle x_\mu, b_n \rangle b_n \right\|^2 \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\mu - \lambda_{b_n}|^2 |\langle x_\mu, b_n \rangle|^2 \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ it holds } |\mu - \lambda_{b_n}|^2 |\langle x_\mu, b_n \rangle|^2 \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

Since $x_\mu \neq 0 \quad \exists \hat{n} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|\mu - \lambda_{b_{\hat{n}}}|^2 > 0$.

$$\Rightarrow \mu \in \text{Im}(\lambda) \Rightarrow \sigma_p(A) \subset \text{Im}(\lambda)$$

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To show : Diagonal operators are densely defined