

For any  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $\text{Ran}(B) := \{g \in \mathcal{H} \mid g = Bf \text{ for some } f \in \mathcal{H}\} = B\mathcal{H}$ .

Def:  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is invertible if  $\ker(B) = \{0\}$

$$\{f \in \mathcal{H} \mid Bf = 0\}$$

Then  $B^{-1}: \text{Ran}(B) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  and satisfies:  $B^{-1}Bf = f \forall f \in \mathcal{H}$

$$BB^{-1}g = g \forall g \in \text{Ran}(B)$$

If  $\text{Ran}(B) = \mathcal{H}$ , then  $B^{-1}: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  is a bounded operator

In this case we say that  $B$  is boundedly invertible, or invertible in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ .

Notation:  $0, 1 \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$

$$0f = 0 \forall f \in \mathcal{H}, 1f = f \forall f \in \mathcal{H}$$

Lemma: Neumann series

If  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  with  $\|B\| < 1$  then  $(1-B)$  is boundedly invertible and  $(1-B)^{-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B^n$  (which is norm convergent)

III / Special classes in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$

Let  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$

- $B$  is self-adjoint if  $B^* = B$  ( $\Leftrightarrow \langle f, Bg \rangle = \langle Bf, g \rangle$ )
- $B$  is normal if  $B^*B = BB^*$
- $B$  is a projection if  $B^2 = B$ , and an orthogonal projection if  $B^2 = B = B^*$
- $B$  is a unitary if  $B^{-1} = B^*$  ( $\Leftrightarrow B^*B = 1$  and  $BB^* = 1$ )
- $B$  is an isometry if  $B^*B = 1$  ( $\|Bf\|^2 = \langle Bf, Bf \rangle = \langle B^*Bf, f \rangle = \langle f, f \rangle = \|f\|^2$ )
- $B$  is a partial isometry if  $B^*B$  is an orthogonal projection

(called initial set projection)  $\rightarrow BB^*$  is also an orthogonal projection  
(called final set projection).

About compact operators:

Consider  $\{f_j, g_j\}_{j=1}^N \subset \mathcal{H} \ni f$

We define  $A := \sum_{j=1}^N |f_j\rangle\langle g_j|$  with  $|f_j\rangle\langle g_j| f = \frac{\langle g_j, f \rangle}{\langle g_j, g_j \rangle} g_j$

$A$  is called a finite rank operator. The set of all finite rank operators is denoted by  $F(\mathcal{H}) \subset B(\mathcal{H})$

Rem:  $\text{Ran}(A) = \text{span}(f_1, \dots, f_n)$  (at most of dim  $n$ )  
and  $\text{ker}(A) = \text{span}(g_1, \dots, g_n)^\perp$  if  $f_j \neq 0 \forall j$ .

Def: An operator  $B \in B(\mathcal{H})$  is compact if  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  
 $\exists A \in F(\mathcal{H})$  s.t.  $\|B - A\| \leq \epsilon$ .

Compact operators are very close to matrices. The set of compact operators is denoted by  $\mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H}) \subset B(\mathcal{H})$  ( $F(\mathcal{H}) \subset \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$ )

Properties

- If  $B \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$ , then  $B^* \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$
- $\mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$  is norm closed, a subalgebra of  $B(\mathcal{H})$ .
- $\mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$  is an ideal ( $\exists$  if  $B \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $A \in B(\mathcal{H})$  then  $AB, BA \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$ )
- If  $\{f_n\} \subset \mathcal{H}$  with  $f_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{w} f_\infty$  and if  $B \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$ , then  $Bf_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{s} Bf_\infty$
- If  $\{A_n\} \subset B(\mathcal{H})$  with  $A_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{s} A_\infty$  and if  $B \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$

then  $A_n B \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{uniformly}} A_\infty B$  and  $B A_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{uniformly}} B A_\infty$

(A compact operator improves convergence).

#### IV. Unbounded operators.

Def: A linear operator is a pair  $(D(A), A)$  with domain of operator  $A$

$D(A) \subset \mathcal{H}$  and  $A: D(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  is linear map

$$A(f + \alpha g) = A f + \alpha A g \quad \forall f, g \in D(A), \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$$

(In particular, any  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is a linear operator with  $D(B) = \mathcal{H}$ )

$(D(A), A)$  is densely defined if  $D(A)$  is dense in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

What about  $A+B$ ? only defined on  $D(A) \cap D(B)$

and  $AB$ ? defined on  $\{f \in D(B) \mid Bf \in D(A)\}$ .

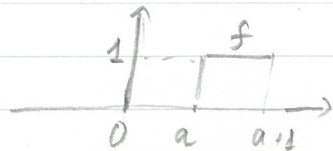
$(D(A), A)$  is unbounded if there is no  $C > 0$  s.t.  $\|A f\| = C \|f\|$   $\forall f \in D(A)$ . For unbounded operators, we can not write  $\|A\|$ !

Ex:  $\mathcal{H} = L^2(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $(D(X), X)$  with  $f \in D(X) = \{f \in \mathcal{H} \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^2 |f(x)|^2 dx < \infty\}$  and  $[Xf](x) = x f(x)$  ( $X$  is called multiplication by variable operator).

Then  $(D(X), X)$  is not bounded.

Proof: Choose  $f$  as a square function.

$$f_a(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in [a, a+1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



$$\|f_a\|^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f_a(x)|^2 dx = \int_a^{a+1} 1 dx = 1$$

$$\|X f_a\|^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^2 |f_a(x)|^2 dx = \int_a^{a+1} x^2 \cdot 1 dx = \frac{(a+1)^3 - a^3}{3}$$

$\Rightarrow$  There is no  $c > 0$  s.t.  $\|Xf\| = c\|f\| \forall a$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Unbounded.

Observe that we could have defined  $(C_c(\mathbb{R}), X), (S(\mathbb{R}), X)$   
 The same expression (here  $X$ ) can have different domain

Example: Consider  $\mathcal{H} = L^2(\mathbb{R}), (S(\mathbb{R}), -i\partial_x^D)$   
Schwartz space

with  $(Df)(x) = -if'(x)$  for any  $f \in S(\mathbb{R})$ .

Observe that if  $F: L^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R})$  denotes the  
 Fourier transform (it is a unitary operator) then  $F S(\mathbb{R}) = S(\mathbb{R})$

Then:  $\underbrace{F D F^{-1}}_X \underbrace{F f}_f$ , it means that  $[F D f](k) = k \hat{f}(k)$   
(multiplication operator)

$\leftarrow$  First Sobolev space on  $\mathbb{R}$

We can also define:  $(\mathcal{H}^1(\mathbb{R}), D) = \{f \in \mathcal{H} \mid -i\partial_x f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})\}$   
 $= \mathcal{FD}(X)$