

This document will discuss two theorems on linear operators, which are called ‘*Riesz Lemma*’ and ‘*Neumann Series*’.

## I *Riesz Lemma*

In this section, we will see the proof of ‘*Riesz Lemma*’ whose argument is here:

### ***Riesz Lemma***

For any  $\varphi \in \mathcal{H}$ , there exists a unique  $g \in \mathcal{H}$  such that for any  $f \in \mathcal{H}$

$$\varphi(f) = \langle g, f \rangle$$

In addition,  $g$  satisfies  $\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{H}} = \|g\|$ .

I will provide the proof of this theorem by three steps.

#### **On the uniqueness**

Let’s take an element  $g' \in \mathcal{H}$  which satisfies  $\varphi(f) = \langle g', f \rangle$ . As  $\varphi(f)$  is equal to  $\langle g, f \rangle$ , we can get  $\langle g, f \rangle = \langle g', f \rangle$ . By the property of inner product: linearity in the second argument,  $\langle g - g', f \rangle = 0$ . You can get  $g - g' = 0$  i.e.,  $g = g'$  since the element  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  is arbitrary, which implies that you can take  $f$  as  $g - g'$ .

#### **On the existence of the above $g$**

When you define a set  $\mathcal{M} = \{f \in \mathcal{H} | \varphi(f) = 0\}$ ,  $\mathcal{M} \subsetneq \mathcal{H}$  (this means that  $\mathcal{M}$  is included in  $\mathcal{H}$  but is not equal to  $\mathcal{H}$ ). Note that this set  $\mathcal{M}$  is closed. Therefore, we can apply ‘*Projection Theorem*’ to  $\mathcal{M}$ , and we can conclude that, for any  $h \in \mathcal{H}$  such that  $\varphi(h)$  is not equal to 0, we can decompose  $h = h_1 + h_2$  with  $h_1 \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $h_2 \in \mathcal{M}^\perp$ . Since  $\varphi(f - \frac{\varphi(f)}{\varphi(h_2)}h_2) = 0$  ( $\because$  the linearity of function  $\varphi$ ), which implies  $f - \frac{\varphi(f)}{\varphi(h_2)}h_2 \in \mathcal{M}$ . As  $h_2 \in \mathcal{M}^\perp$ ,  $\langle h_2, f - \frac{\varphi(f)}{\varphi(h_2)}h_2 \rangle = 0$ . This equation is equivalent to

$$\langle h_2, f \rangle = \frac{\varphi(f)}{\varphi(h_2)} \|h_2\|^2 \iff \varphi(f) = \frac{\varphi(h_2)}{\|h_2\|^2} \langle h_2, f \rangle$$

When you set  $g = \frac{\varphi(h_2)}{\|h_2\|^2} h_2$ , you can get the equation:  $\varphi(f) = \langle g, f \rangle$ .

In conclusion, there is at least one  $g$  which satisfies the statement. (Even though we know this  $g$  is unique from the above argument)

#### **On the equation $\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{H}} = \|g\|$**

When you take  $f$  such that the norm of  $f$  is equal to 1, using Schwarz inequality,

$$|\varphi(f)| = |\langle g, f \rangle| \leq \|f\| \|g\| = \|g\|$$

When you set  $f = \frac{g}{\|g\|}$ ,

$$\|g\| = \frac{\varphi(g)}{\|g\|} = \varphi(f) \leq \sup \varphi(f) = \|\varphi\|$$

Therefore the equation holds.

## II Neumann Series

Let's begin with the definition of *Neumann Series*.

### *Neumann Series*

If  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  and  $\|\mathbf{B}\| < 1$ , then the operator  $\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{B}$  is invertible in  $B(H)$ , with

$$(\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{B})^{-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{B}^n$$

and with  $\|(\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{B})^{-1}\| \leq (1 - \|\mathbf{B}\|)^{-1}$ . The series converges in the uniform norm of  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ .

Before proving this, we will provide a part of solutions of Exercise 3.2.4 in the lecture note.

For any  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $\|\mathbf{AB}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{B}\|$ .

**proof.**

By the definition of the norm:  $\|C\| = \sup \frac{\|Cf\|}{\|f\|}$ , we can conclude that

$\|C\| \geq \frac{\|Cf\|}{\|f\|} \iff \|Cf\| \leq \|C\| \|f\|$  ( $\forall C \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ ). From the above arguments, we obtain

$$\|\mathbf{AB}f\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{B}f\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{B}\| \|f\|$$

Extending this argument, we can easily get  $\|\mathbf{B}^n\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}\|^n$ .

Now, we will see the proof of *Neumann Series*.

Since  $\|\mathbf{B}\| < 1$ ,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \|\mathbf{B}\|^n$  converges. Also, as we discussed before,  $\|\mathbf{B}^n\| \leq \|\mathbf{B}\|^n$

Combining the above two properties with the following inequation, one has, for any  $m \geq n + 1$ ,

$$\left\| \sum_{k=0}^m \mathbf{B}^k - \sum_{k=0}^n \mathbf{B}^k \right\| = \left\| \sum_{k=n+1}^m \mathbf{B}^k \right\| \leq \sum_{k=n+1}^m \|\mathbf{B}^k\| \leq \sum_{k=n+1}^m \|\mathbf{B}\|^k \longrightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

We can say that  $\sum_{k=0}^m \mathbf{B}^k$  is Cauchy sequence. As we can see in the page 31 on the lecture note,  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is complete so there exists the limit:  $\mathbf{B}'$  of this sequence in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Using this  $\mathbf{B}'$ ,

$$\mathbf{BB}' = \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{B} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{B}^{k+1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{B}^k - \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{B}' - \mathbf{1}$$

$$\iff (\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{B})\mathbf{B}' = \mathbf{B}'(\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{1}$$

This equation shows that the inverse of  $\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{B}$  is  $\mathbf{B}'$ .

In addition,

$$\|(\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{B})^{-1}\| = \|\mathbf{B}'\| = \left\| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{B}^k \right\| \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|\mathbf{B}\|^k = \frac{1}{1 - \|\mathbf{B}\|}.$$