

DYNAMICS OF LINEAR OPERATORS, AUTUMN 2010

Solutions to Exercises 4

- ①. If $\dim(X) < \infty$ (but $X \neq \{\emptyset\}$), then Corollary 2.4 \Rightarrow
 $T \in L(X)$ is not hypercyclic. (Corollary is valid for Fréchet spaces as well!)

Suppose $\dim(X) = \infty$. Take $x \in X$. Then

$$\text{orb}(T, x) = \{x, Tx, T^2x, \dots\} \subset \text{span}(\{x\} \cup T(X)) \equiv M$$

where $\dim(M) \leq 1 + \dim(T(X)) < \infty$, and so $M \neq X$.

Fact (functional analysis course!): finite-dimensional subspace is always closed. Thus $\overline{\text{orb}(T, x)} \subset M \neq X$. \square

- ②. Observe: $(\lambda T)^p = \lambda^p T^p = T^p$. Apply Ansari's theorem twice to get $\text{HC}(\lambda T) = \text{HC}((\lambda T)^p) = \text{HC}(T^p) = \text{HC}(T)$. \square

Remark. It can be shown that $\text{HC}(\lambda T) = \text{HC}(T)$ for every $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}$ with $|\lambda| = 1$. The above covers only the cases $\lambda = e^{i \cdot 2\pi \alpha}$ with $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$.

- ③. Let $A = \{p(T)x \mid p \neq 0 \text{ polynomial}\}$, where $x \in \text{HC}(T)$.

Exercise 3.5 $\Rightarrow A \subset \text{HC}(T)$.

Lemma 3.2 $\Rightarrow A$ is connected and $\bar{A} = X$.

Thus $A \subset \text{HC}(T) \subset \bar{A}$.

Topology fact [Värsälä, Topo I, 14.11] \Rightarrow since A is connected, $\text{HC}(T)$ is connected. \square

(4.) We assume $\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} F_j = X$, where $F_j = \overline{\text{orb}(T, x_j)}$.

We have $\bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} (X \setminus F_j) = X \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} F_j = \emptyset$;

in particular, this is not dense. Hence Baire's thm

$\Rightarrow \exists j$ s.t. the open set $X \setminus F_j$ is not dense

$\Rightarrow X \neq \overline{X \setminus F_j} = X \setminus \text{int}(F_j)$

$\Rightarrow \text{int}(F_j) \neq \emptyset$.

Bourdon-Feldman thm (Thm 3.3) $\Rightarrow x_j \in \text{HC}(T)$. \square

(5.) (ii) \Rightarrow (i): Observe: $\lambda T^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset \Leftrightarrow U \cap (\lambda T^n)^{-1}(V) \neq \emptyset$

Thus (ii) \Rightarrow

(*) $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{K}} (\lambda T^n)^{-1}(V) \text{ dense} \\ \text{for every nonempty open } V \subset X. \end{array} \right.$

Let S be the set of those $x \in X$ for which

$\{\lambda T^n x \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{K}, n \geq 0\}$ is dense. Let $(V_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be a

basis for the topology of X . Then:

$x \in S \Leftrightarrow \forall k \geq 1 \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{K}, n \geq 0$ s.t.

$\lambda T^n x \in V_k$, i.e. $x \in (\lambda T^n)^{-1}(V_k)$

$\Leftrightarrow \forall k \geq 1 \quad x \in \boxed{\bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{K}} (\lambda T^n)^{-1}(V_k)}$

$\Leftrightarrow x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \boxed{\phantom{\bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{K}} (\lambda T^n)^{-1}(V_k)}}$

That is,

$$S = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{\bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{K}} (\lambda T^n)^{-1}(V_k)}_{\text{dense by (*)}}$$

Baire's thm $\Rightarrow S$ is dense; in particular $S \neq \emptyset$.

(i) \Rightarrow (ii): Assume $A = \{ \lambda T^n x \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{K}, n \geq 0 \}$ is dense.

Let $U, V \subset X$ be open and nonempty.

By density, $\exists \lambda_0, n_0$ s.t. $\lambda_0 T^{n_0} x \in U$, $\lambda_0 T^{n_0} x \neq \bar{0}$.

Consider the set

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \{ \lambda T^n (\lambda_0 T^{n_0} x) \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{K}, n \geq 0 \} \\ &= \{ \lambda T^{n_0+n} x \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{K}, n \geq 0 \} \quad (\text{note that } \lambda_0 \neq 0) \end{aligned}$$

Claim: B is dense in X .

Pf of claim: If $\dim(X) = 1$, this is clear (just use $n=0$).

Assume $\dim(X) > 1$. We have $B \supset A \setminus E$, where

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \{ \lambda T^n x \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{K}, n = 0, 1, \dots, n_0-1 \} \\ &= \bigcup_{n=0}^{n_0-1} \text{span}(T^n x). \end{aligned}$$

Here $\text{span}(T^n x)$ is closed (since finite-dimensional) and has empty interior in X (since proper subspace) for every n .

$\Rightarrow E$ is closed, $\text{int } E = \emptyset$.

Thus if $W \subset X$ is $\neq \emptyset$ and open $\Rightarrow W \setminus E$ is $\neq \emptyset$ and open.

$\Rightarrow \emptyset \neq A \cap (W \setminus E) = (A \setminus E) \cap W \subset B \cap W$.

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 A dense

claim

Since B is dense, $\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{K}, n \geq 0$ s.t. $\lambda T^n (\lambda_0 T^{n_0} x) \in V$.

Here $\lambda_0 T^{n_0} x \in U \Rightarrow \lambda T^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$. □

- (6.) in \mathbb{R} Define $Tx = ax \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$
- $\Rightarrow \{ \lambda T(1) \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \} = \{ \lambda a \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \} = \mathbb{R}$
- $\Rightarrow T$ supercyclic.

in \mathbb{R}^2 Define $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by (using complex notation)

$$Tz = e^{i \cdot 2\pi\alpha} z \quad \text{for } z = x + iy = (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

i.e.

$$T(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\pi\alpha & -\sin 2\pi\alpha \\ \sin 2\pi\alpha & \cos 2\pi\alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ (rotation through the angle $2\pi\alpha$).

Claim: $A = \{ \lambda T^n(1) \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, n \geq 0 \}$ is dense ($\Rightarrow T$ supercyclic)

Proof: Here $\lambda T^n(1) = \lambda e^{i \cdot 2\pi n\alpha} = (\lambda \cos 2\pi n\alpha, \lambda \sin 2\pi n\alpha)$.

Let $z = r e^{i\theta} = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ be given.

We know (Exercise 1/2): \exists integers n_1, n_2, \dots s.t.

$$T^{n_k}(1) = e^{i \cdot 2\pi n_k \alpha} \rightarrow e^{i\theta} \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then $\underbrace{r T^{n_k}(1)}_{\in A} \rightarrow r e^{i\theta} = z \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow z \in \bar{A}. \quad \therefore \bar{A} = \mathbb{R}^2. \quad \square$