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2. Show that the functionals defined on $\mathcal{C}[a, b]$ by

$$f_1(x) = \int_a^b x(t)y_0(t)dt \quad (y_0 \in \mathcal{C}[a, b]) \text{ and } f_2(x) = \lambda x(a) + \eta x(b) \quad (\lambda, \eta \text{ fixed})$$

are linear and bounded.

Proof:

Let $x, y \in \mathcal{C}[a, b]$ and $\alpha, \beta \in K$.

$$f_1(\alpha x + \beta y) = \int_a^b (\alpha x + \beta y)(t)y_0(t)dt = \alpha \int_a^b x(t)y_0(t)dt + \beta \int_a^b y(t)y_0(t)dt = \alpha f_1(x) + \beta f_1(y).$$

$$f_2(\alpha x + \beta y) = \lambda(\alpha x + \beta y)(a) + \eta(\alpha x + \beta y)(b) = \alpha(\lambda x(a) + \eta x(b)) + \beta(\lambda y(a) + \eta y(b)) = \alpha f_2(x) + \beta f_2(y).$$

Thus, f_1 and f_2 are linear. Let $x \in X$.

$$\|f_1 x\| = \max_{a \leq t \leq b} \left| \int_a^b x(t)dt \right| \leq \max_{a \leq t \leq b} \int_a^b |x(t)|dt \leq \max_{a \leq t \leq b} |x(t)| \|b - a\| = \|x\| \|b - a\|.$$

$$\|f_2 x\| = |\lambda x(a) + \eta x(b)| \leq |\lambda x(a)| + |\eta x(b)| \leq \lambda \|x\| + \eta \|x\| = (\lambda + \eta) \|x\|.$$

So then f_1 and f_2 are bounded.

12. If Y is a subspace of a vector space X and $\text{codim } Y = 1$ ($X/Y = \{x + Y \mid x \in X\}$ and $\text{codim } Y = \dim(X/Y)$), then every element of X/Y is called a hyperplane parallel to Y . Show that for any linear functional $f \neq 0$ on X , the set $H_1 = \{x \in X \mid f(x) = 1\}$ is a hyperplane parallel to the null space $\mathcal{N}(f)$ of f (that is, $H_1 = \{x_0 + \mathcal{N}(f) \mid \text{for some } x_0 \in X\}$)

Proof:

Let $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a nonzero linear functional. Let $\dim X = n$.

We first will show $\dim X/\mathcal{N}(f) = 1$.

We know $\dim X/\mathcal{N}(f) = \dim X - \dim \mathcal{N}(f)$.

Since $f \neq 0$ and $\mathcal{N}(f)$ is a subspace of X , then $X \neq \mathcal{N}(f)$, hence $\dim \mathcal{N}(f) \leq n - 1$.

Suppose $\dim \mathcal{N}(f) < n - 1$. Let $\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$ be a basis for $\mathcal{N}(f)$.

Then we can extend this to a basis $\{x_1, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n\}$ for X .

$f(x_{k+1}) = a$ and $f(x_{k+2}) = b$ for some $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^+$.

Thus, by properties of linear operators $f((1/a)x_{k+1}) = 1 = f((1/b)x_{k+2})$.

$$\Rightarrow f((1/a)x_{k+1}) - f((1/b)x_{k+2}) = f((1/a)x_{k+1} - (1/b)x_{k+2}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1/a)x_{k+1} - (1/b)x_{k+2} \in \mathcal{N}(f)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1/a)x_{k+1} - (1/b)x_{k+2} = \alpha_1 x_1 + \alpha_2 x_2 + \dots + \alpha_k x_k \text{ for some } \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k \in K.$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1} = a((1/b)x_{k+2} + \alpha_1 x_1 + \alpha_2 x_2 + \dots + \alpha_k x_k) \text{ where not all coefficients are 0.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{x_1, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n\} \text{ is not linearly independent, a contradiction.}$$

Thus, $\dim \mathcal{N}(f) = n - 1$, hence $\dim X/\mathcal{N}(f) = 1$.

Let $x_0 \in H_1$. Then $f(x_0) \neq 0$, hence $x_0 \neq 0$. Let $x \in X$ and let $y = x - f(x) \cdot x_0$.

$$\text{Then } f(y) = f(x - f(x) \cdot x_0) = f(x) - f(f(x) \cdot x_0) = f(x) - f(x) \cdot f(x_0) = f(x) - f(x) = 0.$$

Thus, $y \in \mathcal{N}(f)$. And $x = f(x) \cdot x_0 + y \in x_0 + \mathcal{N}(f)$.

$$\text{Let } x \in x_0 + \mathcal{N}(f). \text{ Then } x = x_0 + y \text{ and } f(x) = f(x_0 + y) = f(x_0) + f(y) = 1 + 0 = 1.$$

$\therefore x \in H_1$. So then $H_1 = x_0 + \mathcal{N}(f)$.

15. Let $f \neq 0$ be a bounded linear functional on a real normed space X . Then for any scalar c we have a hyperplane $H_c = \{x \mid f(x) = c\}$ and H_c determine two half spaces $X_{c1} = \{x \mid f(x) \leq c\}$ and $X_{c2} = \{x \mid f(x) \geq c\}$. Show that the closed unit ball lies in X_{c1} where $c = \|f\|$, but for no $\varepsilon > 0$, the half space X_{c1} with $c = \|f\| - \varepsilon$ contains that ball.

Proof:

Let $B = \{x \in X \mid \|x\| \leq 1\}$. Let $x \in B$. Let $c = \|f\| = \sup_{\substack{x \in D(f) \\ x \neq 0}} \frac{|f(x)|}{\|x\|} = \sup_{\substack{x \in D(f) \\ \|x\|=1}} |f(x)|$.

Note that $f \neq 0 \Rightarrow c > 0$.

Since $f(x) \leq \sup_{\substack{x \in D(f) \\ \|x\|=1}} |f(x)|$, then $f(x) \leq c$, hence $x \in X_{c1}$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0 \ni \varepsilon < \|f\|$. Then by definition of supremum,

$\exists x \in X \ni \|x\| = 1$ and $\|f\| - \varepsilon < |f(x)| \leq \|f\|$, hence $f(x) \leq c$, which implies $x \in X_{c1}$.

$\therefore B \not\subset X_{c1}$ where $c = \|f\| - \varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0$.
