

Q No \rightarrow Define closed and continuous linear transformation. Give an example of closed transformation which is not continuous linear transformation, \mathbb{R}^n space is reflexive.

Ans: (Defn) Closed Transformation: - A linear transformation T which maps a subspace D of a Banach space B into a Banach space B' is called closed if its graph $G(T) = \{(x, Tx) : x \in D\}$ is closed in $B \times B'$.

Hence, T is closed iff $x_n \rightarrow x$ & $Tx_n \rightarrow y$ imply $x \in D$, $y = Tx$. In this language the closed graph theorem may be stated as follows: If B & B' are Banach spaces and if T is a linear transformation of B into B' then T is continuous iff T is closed.

Continuous linear transformation: - Let E and F be normed linear spaces. A linear transformation T from E into F is said to be continuous if T is continuous as a map from the metric space E to the metric space F .

i.e. if for every $x \in E$ and every sequence $\{x_n\}$ in E converging to x the sequence $\{T(x_n)\}$ converges to $T(x)$, i.e. $\|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$ as $\|T(x_n) - T(x)\| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Example of a closed operator ^(transformation) which is not continuous

Let $X = C[0, 1]$ and let $X = Y$. Let D be the set of $x \in X$ such that the derivative $x'(t)$ exists and is continuous on $[0, 1]$. Then D is a subspace of X . Let A be an transformation (operator) with domain D defined by $Ax = x'$ where dash denotes the derivative. Then clearly A is a linear operator.

If $x_n(t) = t^n$ then $x'_n(t) = nt^{n-1}$ and $\|x_n\| = 1$ and $\|Ax_n\| = \|x'_n\| = n$. So A is not bounded. ~~Con~~ ~~sequently~~ ~~A~~ is not continuous. But we now show that A is closed. We suppose that $x_n \in D$, $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $Ax_n \rightarrow y$.

Then, $x_n(t)$ converges uniformly to $x(t)$ and $Ax_n = x'_n(t)$ converges uniformly to $y(t)$. Since $x'_n(t)$ is continuous, $y(t)$ is continuous on $[0, 1]$. By a standard theorem on the theory of converges, it follows that $x(t)$ is differentiable and $x'(t) = y(t)$.

So, $x \in D$, and $Ax = x' = y$. This shows that A is closed.

\mathbb{R}^m Space is Reflexive - Let $e_1 = (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$, $e_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ ~~any element~~ $e_m = (0, 0, 0, \dots, 1)$ be a basis of \mathbb{R}^m . Then any element $x = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ can be written as,

$$x = \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k e_k.$$

If f is a continuous linear functional on \mathbb{R}^n , then $f(x) = f\left(\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k e_k\right) = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k f(e_k) = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k \beta_k$, where $\beta_k = f(e_k)$.

Conversely, every n -tuple $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ determines a continuous linear function f on \mathbb{R}^n , given by $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k \beta_k$, where $x = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

By Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we have

$$|f(x)| \leq \sum_{k=1}^n |\alpha_k| |\beta_k| \leq \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k^2\right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \beta_k^2\right)^{1/2} = \|x\| \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \beta_k^2\right)^{1/2}.$$

Hence, f is continuous and

$$\|f\| = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{|f(x)|}{\|x\|} \leq \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \beta_k^2\right)^{1/2}.$$

However, if $x = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$, then $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \beta_k^2$ and $\frac{|f(x)|}{\|x\|} = \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \beta_k^2\right)^{1/2}$.

$$\therefore \|f\| = \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \beta_k^2\right)^{1/2} = \|y\|$$

where, $y = (\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Hence the mapping from the dual space $(\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ onto \mathbb{R}^n defined by

$$f \rightarrow y = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n).$$

is norm preserving, clearly the mapping

is linear, one-one and onto. Therefore, it is an isomorphism. Hence the conjugate space of \mathbb{R}^n is \mathbb{R}^n i.e. $(\mathbb{R}^n)^* = \mathbb{R}^n$.

Thus, \mathbb{R}^n is reflexive.

Ex. Q No \rightarrow Prove that every Hilbert space is reflexive.

Solnⁿ We have two natural mappings of H into H^{**} , the second of which is an onto mapping. The Banach space canonical embedding $x \rightarrow F_x$ where $F_x(f) = f(x)$

and the Product mapping

$x \rightarrow f_x \rightarrow F_{f_x}$, where $f_x(y) = (y, x)$ and $F_{f_x}(f) = (f, f_x)$.

The above two mappings are equal since

$$F_{f_x}(f) = (f, f_x) = (f_z, f_x) \quad (\text{let } f = f_z)$$

$$= (x, z) = f_z(x) = f(x) = F_x(f) \quad \text{for all } f \in H^*$$

Hence, $F_{f_x} = F_x$.

Since the Product mapping is a mapping of H onto H^{**} and since this mapping coincides with the canonical embedding of H to H^{**} , it follows that there is an isomorphism between H and H^{**} . Hence H is reflexive.