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## Introduction :

We take a closer look at linear continuous maps between Hilbert spaces these are often called bounded operators, and the branch of functional Analysis that studies these objects is called operator theory.

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## Abstract :

In this research, we introduce the notation of Operator between Hilbert spaces, and given some properties of them.

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# **Preliminariers**.

### **Definition** (1-1)

Let N be a vector space over a field F (F = R or C).

N is called a normal space over a field F, if there exists a map

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 $\left\| . \right\| : N \to R^+$  satisfies the folloming axioms :

 $1 - \|\mathbf{x}\| \ge \mathbf{0} \quad , \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{N} \ , \|\mathbf{x}\| = 0 \quad \text{iff} \ \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \ .$ 

2-  $\|\alpha x\| = |\alpha| \|x\|$ ,  $\forall x \in N$ ,  $\forall \alpha \in F$ .

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3-\|\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{y}\| \le \|\mathbf{x}\| + \|\mathbf{y}\|, \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{N}, (triangle inquality).
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. is called a normal on N.

 $(\mathbf{N}, \|.\|)$  ) is called a normal space .

### **Remark** (1-2)

Any norm space is a vector space but the converse is not true in general.

### **Definition**(1-3)

Let **N** be a normed space over afield **F** and let  $\langle \mathbf{x}_n \rangle$  be sequence in **N** ,  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is said to be convergent sequence , if there exists  $a \in N$  such that  $\forall \ \epsilon > 0 \ \exists \ \mathbf{K} \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\| \mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{a} \| < \ \epsilon$ ,  $\forall \ \mathbf{n} > \mathbf{K}$ .

### **Definition** (1-4)

Let **N** be a normed space over a field **F** and let  $\langle x_n \rangle$  sequence in **N**,  $\langle x_n \rangle$  is said to be Cauchy sequence, if  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists K \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|\mathbf{x}_{n} \cdot \mathbf{y}_{m}| < \epsilon$ ,  $\forall n, m > K$ .

### **Remark**(1-5)

Every convergent sequence is a Cauchy but the converse is not true

### Definition(1-6)

Let **X** be a normed space . **X** is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence in **X** is convergent.

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### Definition (1-7)

Every complete normed space is called Banach space.

### Definition(1-8)

Let X,Y are normed space and f:  $X \to Y$  be a function, f is said to be continuous on  $x_0 \in X$  if such that  $x_n \to x_0$  then  $f(x_n) \to f(x_0)$ .

### Proposition (1-9)

A norm  $\|\cdot\|: N \to R^+$  is continuous function on N . i.e if  $x_n \to x_0$  in N, Then  $\|x_n\| \to \|x_0\|$  in  $R^+$ .

### Proof:

Since  $\mathbf{x}_n \to \mathbf{x}_0$  then  $\|\mathbf{x}_n \cdot \mathbf{x}_0\| \to 0$ , as  $n \to \infty$ Claim :  $\|\mathbf{x}_n\| \to \|\mathbf{x}_0\|$ , i.e  $\|\|\mathbf{x}_n\| - \|\mathbf{x}_0\|\| \to 0$   $\|\|\mathbf{x}_n\| - \|\mathbf{x}_0\|\| \le \|\mathbf{x}_n \cdot \mathbf{x}_0\| \to 0$ , as  $n \to \infty$ . Thus  $\|\|\mathbf{x}_n\| - \|\mathbf{x}_0\|\| \to 0$ , as  $n \to \infty$ . Thus the claim hold.

i.e  $\|.\|$  is a continuous function .

### **Definition** (1-10)

 $L(N, N^*) = \{ T: N \rightarrow N^* \}, L(N, N^*) \text{ is vector space over } F, T \text{ is linear}.$ Proof;

1- Let  $T_{1x}$ ,  $T_{2x} \in L(N,N^*)$   $T_1, T_2$  are linear transformation.  $\Rightarrow$  (T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>2</sub>)<sub>x</sub> is linear. Thus  $T_1 + T_2 = L(N, N^*)$ . 2-  $C(T_1 + T_2)_x = (T_1, T_2)_{cx}$  $= T_{1(cx)} + T_{2(cx)} = CT_{1x} + CT_{2x}$ .  $3 - (c_1 c_2) T_x = T_{(c_1 c_2 x)} = c_1(T_{c_2 x}) = c_1(c_2 T_x).$ 4 - 1.  $T_x = T_{(1,x)} = T_x$ .  $5 - (T_1 + T_2)_x = T_1_x + T_2_x = T_2_x + T_1_x = (T_2 + T_1)_x$ Thus  $L(N, N^*)$  is vector space.

### Definition (1-11)

Let X be a vector space over a field F, X is said to be inner product space over **F** if there exists a function  $\langle , \rangle : \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{X} \rightarrow \mathbf{F}$ , (**F**=**R** or **C**) satisfies the following axioms :

1-  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle \ge 0$  ,  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle = 0$  iff  $\mathbf{x} = 0$  ,  $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}$ . 2-  $\langle \lambda \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \lambda \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{X}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbf{F}$ . 3-  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{X}$ . 4-  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \rangle$ .

#### ( Cauchy Shwartz inquality ) Theorem (1-12)

let X be an inner product space then

$$|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} 
angle| \ \le \|\mathbf{x}\| \|\mathbf{y}\|$$
,  $\forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{X}$ .

### <u>Theorem (1-13)</u>

Every inner product space is normed space.

### Proof:

Let X be inner product space .

There exists function  $\langle , \rangle : \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{X} \rightarrow \mathbf{F}$  satisfies the previous (4) axioms above.

We must prove that **X** is normed space .

Then we define the function  $\|\cdot\| : \mathbf{X} \to \mathbf{R}$  is follows

$$\|\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle} , \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}$$
1-  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle} \ge 0, \forall \mathbf{x} .$   
 $\|\mathbf{x}\| = 0 \text{ iff } \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle} = 0 \text{ iff } \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle = 0 \text{ iff } \mathbf{x} = 0 .$ 
2-  $\|\lambda\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{\langle \lambda\mathbf{x}, \lambda\mathbf{x} \rangle} = \sqrt{\lambda \langle \mathbf{x}, \lambda\mathbf{x} \rangle}$   
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 $= \sqrt{|\lambda|^2} \|\mathbf{x}\|^2} = |\lambda| \|\mathbf{x}\| .$ 
3-  $\|\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{y}\| = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x}+\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}+\mathbf{y} \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x}+\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle, \langle \mathbf{x}+\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}$   
 $= \sqrt{\langle \overline{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle} + \overline{\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}+\mathbf{y} \rangle}}$ 

$$= \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle} + \overline{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle} + \overline{\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle} + \overline{\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}$$
$$= \sqrt{\|\mathbf{x}\|^{2} + \overline{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle} + \overline{\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle} + \|\mathbf{y}\|^{2}}$$

 $\begin{aligned} \|x+y\|^{2} &= \|x\|^{2} + \|y\|^{2} + 2\operatorname{Re} \langle x, y \rangle . \\ \text{By Theorem (1-12)} \\ \text{Re} \langle x, y \rangle &\leq |\operatorname{Re} \langle x, y \rangle| \leq |\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\|. \\ \text{Thus} \quad \|x+y\|^{2} \leq \|x\|^{2} + \|y\|^{2} + 2\|x\| \|y\| \\ &= (\|x\| + \|y\|)^{2} \\ \text{Thus} \quad \|x+y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\| \\ \text{From (1), (2) and (3) we have (X, \|.\|) is normed space .} \end{aligned}$ 

### Definition (1-14)

A Hilbert space over F is a complete inner product space .

### Remark (1-15)

Every Hilbert space is a Banach space but the converse is not true in general.

### Definition (1-16)

Given operator  $T \in B(H1, H2)$ , the unique operator

 $S \in B(H2, H1)$  that satisfies[ (Te1/e2)H2 =(e1|Se2)H1,

∀ (e1,e2) ∈ H1xH2 ] is called the adjoint of T, and is denoted by T<sup>\*</sup>. By the above Remark, for any two vectors e1 ∈H1, e2 ∈H2, we have the identities :

 $(T e1|e2)H2 = (e1| T^*e2)H1.$ 

 $(e2|T e1)H2 = (T^*e2|e1)H1.$ 

Example:

**B**: L1(C) →L2(C) **B**(x1,x2,...) = (x2, x3, ...) **U**(x1, x2, ...) = (0, x1, x2, ...)

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Claim **U\*=B** , **B\*=U** 

### Proof:

Let  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{H}$ To prove  $\langle \mathbf{U}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{B}\mathbf{y} \rangle$ .  $\langle \mathbf{U}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle (0, \mathbf{x}1 \ \mathbf{x}2, ...), (\mathbf{y}1, \mathbf{y}2, ...) \rangle$   $= 0.\mathbf{y}1 + \mathbf{x}1\mathbf{y}2 + \mathbf{x}2\mathbf{y}3 + ...$   $= \mathbf{x}1\mathbf{y}2 + \mathbf{x}2\mathbf{y}3 + ...$   $= \langle (\mathbf{x}1 \ \mathbf{x}2, ...), (\mathbf{y}2, \mathbf{y}3, ...) \rangle$ Thus  $\langle \mathbf{U}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{B}\mathbf{y} \rangle$ . Thus  $\langle \mathbf{U}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{B}\mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{U}^*\mathbf{y} \rangle$ . Thus  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{U}^*\mathbf{y}, \quad \forall \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{H}$ , Thus  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{U}^*$ Now  $\mathbf{U}^* = \mathbf{B} \implies \mathbf{U}^{**} = \mathbf{B}^* \implies \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{B}^*$ .

### Definition (1-17)

 $T : v(f) \rightarrow u(f)$ , then Range of T,  $R(T) = \{ y \in u(f) , such that y = T(x) , x \in V \}$ , And Kernal space of T, N(T)  $N(T) = \{ x \in V(f), such that T(x) = 0 \}$ . R(T) is subspace of u(f). N(T) is subspace of v(f).

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# Main Results .

### Lemma(2.1)

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Let X and Y be normed vector spaces. For a sesquilinear map  $\phi$  : **X** × **Y**  $\rightarrow$  **C**, the following are equivalent:

(i)  $\phi$  is  $\rightarrow$  continuous;

(**ii**) **φ** is continuous at (0, 0);

(iii)  $\sup\{|\phi(x, y)| : (x, y) \in X \times Y, ||x|| \cdot ||y|| \le 1\} < \infty;$ 

(iv) there exists some constant  $\mathbf{C} \ge 0$ , such that

 $|\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| \leq \mathbf{C} \cdot \|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|, \forall (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{Y} .$ Moreover, the number in (iii) is equal to

 $\min\{ \mathbf{C} \ge 0 : |\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| \le \mathbf{C} \cdot \|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\| , \forall (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{Y} \} \dots \dots (1).$ 

### **Proof:**

The implication (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) is trivial.

 $(ii) \Rightarrow (iii)$ 

. Assume  $\varphi$  is continuous at (0, 0).

We prove (iii) by contradiction.

Assume, for each integer  $n \geq$  1 there are vectors  $x_n \in \textbf{X}$  and  $y_n \in \textbf{Y}$ with  $\|\mathbf{x}\|$ ,  $\|\mathbf{y}\| \le 1$ , but such that  $|\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n)| \ge n^2$ .

If we take  $\mathbf{v}_n = \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{x}_n$  and  $\mathbf{w}_{n=y_n} \frac{1}{n}$ 

then on the one hand we have  $\|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\| \le \frac{1}{n}$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{n} \ge 1$ , which forces  $\lim_{n\to\infty} (\mathbf{v}_n, \mathbf{w}_n) = (0, 0) \text{ in } \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{Y}, \text{ so by (iii) we have } \lim_{n\to\infty} \phi(\mathbf{v}_n, \mathbf{w}_n) = 0.$ 

the other hand, we also haveo

$$|\boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{v}_n, \mathbf{w}_n)| = \frac{|\boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n), (\mathbf{w}_n)|}{n^2} \ge 1, \forall n \ge 1,$$

which is impossible.

 $(iii) \Rightarrow (iv).$ 

Assume  $\boldsymbol{\varphi}$  has property (iii), and denote the number  $\sup\{ |\phi(x, y)| : (x, y) \in X \times Y, ||x|| . ||y|| \le 1 \}$ simply by **M**.

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In order to prove (iv) we are going to prove the inequality  $|\phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| \le \mathbf{M} \cdot \|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|, \ \forall \ (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{Y} \dots (2)$ 

Fix  $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{Y}$ .

If either  $\mathbf{x} = 0$  or  $\mathbf{y} = 0$ , the above inequality is trivial, so we can assume both **x** and **y** are non-zero.

Consider the vectors  $\mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{x}\|} \mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{w} = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{y}\|} \mathbf{y}$ . We clearly have  $|\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| = |\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\|\mathbf{x}\|\mathbf{v}, \|\mathbf{y}\|\mathbf{w}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|\|\mathbf{y}\| \cdot |\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})|.$ Since  $\|\mathbf{v}\| = \|\mathbf{w}\| = 1$ , we have  $|\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})| \leq \mathbf{M}$ , so the above inequality gives (**2**).

 $(iv) \Rightarrow (i).$ 

Assume  $\phi$  has property (iv) and let us show that  $\phi$  is continuous.

Let  $\mathbf{C} \ge 0$  is as in (iv). Let  $(\mathbf{x}_n)_{n \to \infty} \subset \mathbf{X}$  and  $(\mathbf{y}_n)_{n \to \infty} \subset \mathbf{Y}$  be convergent sequences with  $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = x$  and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} y_n = y$ , and let us prove that  $\lim \phi(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n) = \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}).$ 

Using (iv) we have  $|\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n) - \boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| \leq |\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n) - \boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y})| + |\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}) - \boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|$ 

 $= |\boldsymbol{\phi}(x_n.y_n \textbf{ - y})| + |\boldsymbol{\phi}(x_n\textbf{ - x}, \textbf{ y})|$  $\leq \textbf{C} ~.~ \left\| \textbf{x}_n ~ \right\| . \left\| ~ \textbf{y}_n - \textbf{y} \right\| ~+~ \textbf{C} ~.~ \left\| \textbf{x}_n - \textbf{x} \right\| ~. \left\| \textbf{y} \right\| ~,~\forall~n\geq 1,$ which clearly forces  $\lim_{n\to\infty} |\phi(x_n, y_n) - \phi(x, y)| = 0$ , and we are done.

To prove the last assertion we observe first that every  $\mathbf{C} \ge 0$  with  $|\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| \leq \mathbf{C} \cdot \|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|, \forall (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{Y},$ automatically satisfies the inequality  $\mathbf{C} \geq \mathbf{M}$ .

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This is a consequence of the above inequality, restricted to those

 $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{Y}$ , with  $\|\mathbf{x}\|, \|\mathbf{y}\| \le 1$ .

To finish the proof ,all we have to prove is the fact that  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{M}$  satisfies (iv).

But this has already been obtained when we proved the implication

 $(iii) \Rightarrow (iv).$ 

### Notation (2-2)

With the notations above, the number defined in (iii), which is also equal to the quantity (1), is denoted by  $\| \boldsymbol{\varphi} \|$ . This is justified by the following.

### Lemma( 2-3)

let M subspace actally is closed in normal space X and let Y a number real so that 0 < Y < 1 the exists  $X_Y \in X$ ,  $||x - X_Y|| \ge Y$ ,  $\forall x \in M$ 

### Notation (2-4)

Let X and Y be normed vector spaces over C.

Prove that the space  $S(X, Y) = \{ \phi : X \times Y \rightarrow C : \phi \text{ sesquilinear continuous} \}$ is a vector space, when equipped with pointwise addition and scalar multiplication. Prove that the map  $S(X, Y) \ni \phi \longrightarrow ||\phi|| \in [0, \infty)$ defines a norm. With this terminology, we have the following technical result.

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### <u>Theorem</u>(2-5).

Let H1 and H2 be Hilbert spaces, and let  $\varphi$  : H1 × H2  $\rightarrow$  C be a sesquilinear map. The following are equivalent . (i)  $\varphi$  is continuous; (ii) there exists T  $\in$ B (H1, H2), such that  $\varphi(e1, e2) = (T e1/e2)H2, \forall e1, e2) \in H1 \times H2,$ where ( . | . )H2 denotes the inner product on H2. Moreover, the operator T  $\in$  B(H1, H2) is unique, and has norm  $\|T\| = \|\varphi\|.$ <u>Proof</u>. (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii).

Assume  $\varphi$  is continuous, so by Lemma(2-1) we have  $|\varphi(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{z})| \leq \|\varphi\| \cdot \|\mathbf{e}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{z}\|, \forall \mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{H1}, \mathbf{z} \in \mathbf{H2}.....(3).$ Fix for the moment  $\mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{H1}$ , and consider the map  $\varphi \mathbf{e}: \mathbf{H2} \ni \mathbf{z} \longrightarrow \varphi(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{z}) \in \mathbf{C}.$ 

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Using (3), it is clear that  $\phi e : H2 \rightarrow C$  is linear continuous, and has norm and the second s  $\|\boldsymbol{\varphi}\mathbf{e}\| \leq \|\boldsymbol{\varphi}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{e}\|$ . A La Using Riesz' Theorem, it follows that there exists a unique A MA A No. vector  $\tilde{\mathbf{e}} \in \mathbf{H2}$ , such that  $\boldsymbol{\phi} \mathbf{e}(\mathbf{z}) = (\mathbf{\tilde{e}} | \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{H2}, \forall \mathbf{z} \in \mathbf{H2}.$ A La **P** Moreover, one has the equality A A all a all a Remark that, if we start with two vectors  $\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{q} \times \in H1$ , then we have 2 Ja  $(\tilde{\mathbf{e}}|\mathbf{z})$ H2 +  $(\tilde{\mathbf{q}}|\mathbf{z})$ H2 =  $\boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{z}) + \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{z}) = \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{e} + \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{z}) = \boldsymbol{\phi}_{\mathbf{e}+\mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{z}), \forall \mathbf{z} \in \mathbf{H2},$ A La so by the uniqueness part in Riesz' lemma we get the equality  $\widetilde{\mathbf{e}+\mathbf{q}}=\widetilde{\mathbf{e}}+\widetilde{\mathbf{q}}$  . **P** Likewise, if  $\mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{H1}$ , and  $\boldsymbol{\lambda} \in \mathbf{C}$ , we have A La alla a  $(\lambda \widetilde{\mathbf{e}} | \mathbf{z}) H2 = \widetilde{\lambda} (\widetilde{\mathbf{e}} | \mathbf{z}) H2 = \widetilde{\lambda} \boldsymbol{\phi} (\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{z}) = \boldsymbol{\phi} (\lambda \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{z}) = \boldsymbol{\phi}_{\lambda \mathbf{e}} (\mathbf{z}), \forall \mathbf{z} \in \mathbf{H2},$ all a which forces  $\lambda \widetilde{e} = \lambda \widetilde{e}$ . A A 2 Ja This way we have defined a linear map all a 2 Alexandre **T** : **H1**  $\ni$ **e**  $\rightarrow$   $\widetilde{\mathbf{e}}$   $\in$ **H2**, and a second with and the second s  $\phi(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{z}) = (\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e} | \mathbf{z}) H2, \forall (\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{z}) \in \mathbf{H1} \times \mathbf{H2}.$ A Star Using (4) we also have

 $\|\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e}\| H2 \le \|\mathbf{\phi}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{e}\| H1$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{x} \in H1$ , so **T** is indeed continuous, and it has norm  $\|\mathbf{T}\| \le \|\mathbf{\phi}\|$ .

The uniqueness of **T** is obvious. (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i).

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Assume  $\phi$  has property (ii), and let us prove that  $\phi$  is continuous. This is pretty clear, because if we take  $T \in B(H1, H2)$  as in (ii), then using

the Cauchy-Bunyakovski-Schwartz inequality we have  $|\varphi(e1, e2)| = |(T e1|e2)H2| \le ||T e1|| \cdot ||e2|| \le ||T|| \cdot ||e1|| \cdot ||e2||$ 

### $\forall$ (e1,e2) $\in$ H1 × H2,

so we can apply Lemma(2-1). Notice that this also proves an the inequality  $\|\boldsymbol{\varphi}\| \leq \|\mathbf{T}\|$ .

Since by the proof of the implication  $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$  we already know that  $\|\mathbf{T}\| \le \|\boldsymbol{\varphi}\|$ , it follows that in fact we have equality  $\|\mathbf{T}\| = \|\boldsymbol{\varphi}\|$ .

### **Proposition**(2-6).

A. For two Hilbert spaces H1, H2, one has  $\| \mathbf{T}^* \| = \| \mathbf{T} \|, \forall \mathbf{T} \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{H1}, \mathbf{H2});....(5)$  $(\mathbf{T}^*)^* = \mathbf{T}, \ \forall \mathbf{T} \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{H1}, \mathbf{H2});$ .....(6)  $(S+T)^* = S^* + T^* \quad \forall S, T \in B(H1, H2);....(7)$  $(\lambda T T^* = \tilde{\lambda} T^*, \forall T \in B(H1, H2), \lambda \in C;....(8)$ B. Given three Hilbert spaces H1, H2, and H3, one has  $(ST)^* = T^*S^*, \forall T \in B(H1, H2), S \in B(H2, H3).....(9)$ Proof.

The equality (5) has already been discussed in Remark The identity (6) is obvious.

To prove the other identities we employ the following strategy.

We denote by X the operator whose adjoint is the left hand side, we denote by Y the operator in the right hand side, so we must show  $X^* = Y$ , and we prove this equality by proving the equality  $(\mathbf{Xe}|\mathbf{q}) = (\mathbf{e}|\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{q}), \forall \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{q}.$ For example, to prove (8) we put X = S + T and  $Y = S^* + T^*$ , and it is

### pretty obvious that

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 $(Xe|q) = (Se+T e|q) = (Se|q) + (T e|q) = (e|S^*q) + (e|T^*q)$ 

 $= (\mathbf{e}| \mathbf{S}^*\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{T}^* \mathbf{q}) = (\mathbf{e}|\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{q}), \forall \mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{H1}, \mathbf{q} \in \mathbf{H2}.$ 

The other identities are proven the exact same way.

**<u>Proposition</u>**(2-7) (Kernel-Range Identities).

Let **H1** and **H2** be Hilbert spaces . For any operator  $T \in B(H1, H2)$ , one has the equalities

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(i)- Ker T^* = (Ran T)^{\perp};
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(ii)- Ran T^* = (Ker T)^{\perp};
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### <u>Proof</u>.

(i). If we start with some vector  $\textbf{q} \in \textbf{Ker}~\textbf{T}^{\cdot}$  , then for every  $\textbf{e} \in \textbf{H1},$  we have

 $(\mathbf{q}|\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e})\mathbf{H2} = (\mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{q}|\mathbf{e})\mathbf{H1} = 0,$ thus proving that  $\mathbf{q} \perp \mathbf{T} \mathbf{e}, \forall \mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{H1},$ 

i.e.  $\mathbf{e} \in (\mathbf{Ran T})^{\perp}$ ;. This proves the inclusion Ker  $\mathbf{T}^* = (\mathbf{Ran T})^{\perp}$ ..

To prove the inclusion in the other direction, we start with some vector

**q** ∈ **Ker**  $\mathbf{T}^* = (\mathbf{Ran T})^{\perp}$  and we prove that  $\mathbf{T}^* \mathbf{q} = 0$ . This is however pretty since we have  $\mathbf{q}_{\perp}$  (**T**  $\mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{q}$ ), i.e.

 $0 = (\mathbf{q}|\mathbf{T} \mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{q})H2 = (\mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{q}|\mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{q})H1 = \|\mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{q}\|^2,$ which forces  $\mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{q} = 0$ .

(ii). This follows immediately from part (i) applied to T\*:  $\overline{\text{Ran } T^*} = ([\text{Ran } T^*]^{\perp})^{\perp} = (\text{Ker } T)^{\perp}.$ 

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Remarks (2-8).

A- Every self-adjoint operator  $T \in B(H)$  is normal.

**B**- The set { $T \in B(H) : T$  normal } is closed in B(H), in the norm topology.

Indeed, if we start with a sequence  $(T_n)_n^{\infty} = 1$  of normal operators, which converges (in norm) to some  $T \in B(H)$ , then $(T_n)_n^{\infty} = 1$  converges to  $T^*$ , and since the multiplication map

 $\mathsf{B}(\mathsf{H}) \times \mathsf{B}(\mathsf{H}) \ni (\mathsf{X}, \mathsf{Y}) \dashrightarrow \mathsf{X}\mathsf{Y} \in \mathsf{B}(\mathsf{H})$ 

is continuous, have  $T^*T = \lim_{n \to \infty} T^*{}_n T_n$  and  $T T^* = \lim_{n \to \infty} T_n T^*{}_n$ , so we

immediately get  $T^*T = T T^*$ .

**C**- For  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{H})$ , the following are equivalent (see Remark):

• T is self-adjoint

• the sesquilinear map

 $\boldsymbol{\phi} T : \boldsymbol{H} \times \boldsymbol{H} \ni (\boldsymbol{e}, \, \boldsymbol{q}) \dashrightarrow (T \, \boldsymbol{e} | \boldsymbol{q}) \boldsymbol{H} \in \boldsymbol{C}$ 

is sesqui-symmetric, i.e.  $(T e|q) = (T q|q), \forall e, q \in H;$ 

•  $(T e | e) \in R, \forall e \in H.$ 

In particular, we see that every positive operator **T** is self-adjoint. the condition that **T** is positive is equivalent to the condition that  $\phi$ **T** is positive definite.

D- The sets:  $B(H)sa = \{T \in B(H) : T^* = T\},\$   $B(H) + = \{T \in B(H) : T \text{ positive }\}\$ are also closed in B(H). follows

This follows from the observation that, if  $(T_n)_n^{\infty} = 1$  converges to some T, then we have  $(\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e} | \mathbf{e}) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (T_n \mathbf{e} | \mathbf{q}), \forall \mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{H}.$ So if for example all  $T_n$ 's are self-adjoint, then this proves that  $(\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e} | \mathbf{e}) \in \mathbf{R}, \forall \mathbf{e}, \in \mathbf{H},$ so **T** is self adjoint. Likewise, if all  $T_n$ 's are positive, then  $(\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e} | \mathbf{e}) \ge 0, \forall \mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{H}$ , so **T** is positive. **E**- Given Hilbert spaces H1 and H2, and an operator  $T \in B(H1, H2)$ , it that the operators T  $T^* \in B(H1)$  and T  $T^* \in B(H2)$  are positive. This is quite obvious, since  $(T^*T e|e) = (T e|T e) = ||T e||^2 \ge 0, \forall e \in H1,$  $(T T^*q|q) = (T^*q|T^*q) = ||T^*q||^2 \ge 0, \forall q \in H2.$ F- The space B(H)sais a real linear subspace of B(H). **G** - The space B(H) + is a convex cone in B(H) sa, in the sense that • if  $S, T \in B(H)$ +, then  $S + T \in B(H)$ +; • if  $S \in B(H)$  + and  $\alpha \in [0, \infty)$ , then  $\alpha S \in B(H)$  +. H- Using G, one can define a order relation on the real vector space B(H)saby  $S \ge T \iff S - T \in B(H)+.$ 

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This is equivalent to the inequality

 $(\mathbf{Se}|\mathbf{e}) \geq (\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e}|\mathbf{e}), \forall \mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{H}.$ 

The transitivity and reflexivity properties are clear. For the antisymmetry, one must show that if  $T \ge S$  and  $S \ge T$ , then S = T.

This is however clear, because the difference X = S - T is self-adjoint, and satisfies  $(Xz | z) = 0, \forall z \in H$ .....(10) Using polarization, we have  $(Xe|q) = \frac{1}{4}\sum_{k=0}^{3} i^{-k} (X(e+i^{k}q)|e+i^{k}q)$ and then (10) forces  $(Xe|q) = 0, \forall e, q \in H$ , we must have X = 0.

From now on, we are going to write  $T \ge 0$  to mean that T is positive.

### Notation (2-9)

Prove that for an operator  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{H})$  the following are equivalent:

- T is normal;
- $\| \text{Te} \| = \| T^* e \|$ ,  $\forall e \in H$ .

### Proposition(2-10).

Let **H** be a Hilbert space. For a bounded operator  $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{H})$ , the following are equivalent:

(i) there exists a closed subspace  $X \subset H$ , such that Q = PX - the orthogonal projection onto X;

(ii)  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}^* = \mathbf{Q}^2$ .

### Proof.

The implication  $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$  is trivial. (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i).

Assume  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}^* = \mathbf{Q}^2$ , and let us prove that  $\mathbf{Q}$  is the orthogonal projection onto some closed subspace  $\mathbf{X} \subset \mathbf{H}$ . We define  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Ran Q}$ .

First of all, we must show that X is closed. This is pretty obvious, since the equality  $Q^2 = \mathbf{Q}$ gives the equality  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Ker}(\mathbf{L} - \mathbf{Q})$ .

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To prove that **Q** = **PX**, we must prove two things:

(a)  $\mathbf{Qe} = \mathbf{e}, \forall \mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{X};$ 

(b) Qe= 0, ,  $\forall e \in X^{\perp}$ .

The first property is clear, since  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Ker}(\mathbf{L} - \mathbf{Q})$ , To prove the second property, we use Proposition(2-2) to get

 $X^{\perp}$ = (Ran Q)<sup> $\perp$ </sup>= Ker Q<sup>\*</sup> = Ker Q.

### Definitions.(2-11)

Let H1 and H2 be Hilbert spaces.

A-. An operator  $T \in B(H1, H2)$  is called an isometry, if

**||Te|| = ||e||**, ∀ **e** ∈H1.

**B**-. An operator  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{H1}, \mathbf{H2})$  is said to be a coisometry, if its adjoint

 $T^* \in B(H2, H1)$  is an isometry.

**C-.** An operator  $U \in B(H1, H2)$  is called a unitary, if U is a bijective isometry.

The algebraic characterizations for these types of operators are as follows.

### Proposition(2-12).

Let H1 and H2 be Hilbert spaces.

**A-**. For an operator  $\mathbf{T} \in B(\mathbf{H1}, \mathbf{H2})$ , the following are equivalent:

(i)- T is an isometry;

(ii)-  $T^*T = L H1$ .

**B-.** For an operator  $T \in B(H1, H2)$ , the following are equivalent:

(i)- **T** is a coisometry;

(ii)- **T**  $T^* = LH2$ .

**C-.** For an operator  $U \in B(H1, H2)$ , the following are equivalent:

(i)- U is unitary;

(ii)  $U^*U = LH1$  and  $U\dot{U}^* = LH2$ .

Proof.

A. (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii).

Using polarization, applied to the sesquilinear form

 $\varphi$ : H1 × H1  $\ni$  (e, q) - $\rightarrow$  ( $T^*T$  e|q)  $\in$  C, it follows that, for every  $\boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\eta} \in \mathbf{H}$ , one has the equalities  $\varphi(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{q}) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^{3} i^{-k} \varphi(e + i^{k} \cdot e + i^{k} q)$  $= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^{3} i^{-k} (T^*T(e + i^k q) | e + i^k q)$  $= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^{3} i^{-k} (T(e+i^{k}q)|T(e+i^{k}q))$  $= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^{3} i^{-k} \| (T(e+i^{k}q)) \|^{2}$ 

Using the fact that **T** is an isometry, and polarization again (for the inner product), the above computation continues with

$$\varphi(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{q}) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^{3} i^{-k} \left\| (T(e+i^{k}q)) \right\|^{2}$$
  
$$= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^{3} i^{-k} \left\| e+i^{k}q \right\|^{2}$$

$$=\frac{1}{4}\sum_{k=0}^{3} i^{-k} (e+i^{k}q)(e+i^{k}q) = (e|q)$$

Since we now have

 $(T^*T \mathbf{e}|\mathbf{q}) = (\mathbf{e}|\mathbf{q}), \forall \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{q} \in \mathbf{H1},$ 

by Lemma(2-1) (the uniqueness part) we get  $T^*T = LH1$ .

The implication (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) is trivial, since the equality  $T^*T = LH1$  gives

$$\| \mathbf{T} e \|^2 = (\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e} | \mathbf{T} \mathbf{e}) = (\mathbf{T}^* \mathbf{T} \mathbf{e} | \mathbf{e}) = (\mathbf{e} | \mathbf{e}) = \| e \|^2, \forall xi \in \mathbf{H1}.$$

**B-**. This is immediate, by applying part A to  $T^*$ .

**C-**. (i) ⇒(ii).

Assume **U** is unitary.

On the one hand, since **U** is an isometry,

by part **A** we get  $U^*U = LH1$ . On the other hand, since **U** is bijective, the above

equality actually forces U -1 =  $U^*$ , so we also get U  $U^*$  = UU -1 = LH2. (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i).

Assume  $U^*U = LH1$  and  $UU^* = LH2$ , and let us prove that U is aunitary.

On the one hand, these two equalities prove that **U** is both left and right invertible, so **U** is bijective.

On the other hand, by part **A**, it follows that **U** is an isometry, so **U** is indeed unitary.

all a A Star and the second s In the study of bounded linear operators, positivity is an essential tool. A State This is illustrated by the following technical result. A La A La A A Proposition (2-13). A La A La Let **H** be a Hilbert space. A La (i)- Every self-adjoint operator  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{H})$  has real spectrum, i.e. one has all a the all a inclusion **Spec**  $H(T) \subset R$ . A A (ii)- Every positive operator  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{H})$  has non-negative spectrum, i.e. one has the inclusion **Spec**  $H(\mathbf{T}) \subset [0, \infty)$ . all a Proof. **P** alla a (i). Let  $T \in B(H)$  be self-adjoint. all a 8 Ja We wish to prove that for every complex number  $\lambda \in C, R$ , the operator S S 2 Ja  $X = \lambda L$ -T is invertible.

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Write  $\lambda = a+ib$ , with  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $b \neq 0$ . We are going to apply Lemma

(2-2), so we need to consider the operators  $X^*X$  and  $X X^*$ .

It turns out that  $X^*X = X X^* = |\lambda|^2 L - 2(\text{Re }\lambda)T + T^*$ , so all we need is the existence of a constant  $\alpha > 0$ , such that  $X^*X \ge \alpha L$ . But this is clear, since

But this is clear, since  $X^*X = (a^2 + b^2)L - 2aT + T^2 = b^2L + (aL - T)^2$ , and the positivity of  $(aL - T)^2 = (aL - T)^* (aL - T)$  (see Remark (2-8-E)

Immediately gives  $X^*X \ge b^2L$ .

(ii)- By part (i) we only need to prove that, for every number

 $\mathbf{a} \in (-\infty, 0)$ , the operator  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{aL} - \mathbf{T}$  is invertible.

As before, we have

 $X^* \mathsf{X} = \mathsf{X} \ X^* = a^2 \mathsf{L} - 2\mathsf{a}\mathsf{T} + T^2,$ 

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and then the positivity of -2aT and of  $T^2 = T^*T$  (see Remark(2-8-F)), forces  $X^*X \ge a^2L$ .

Since  $\mathbf{a} \neq 0$ , it follows that **X** is indeed invertible.

The above result can be nicely complemented with the one below.

### Proposition(2-14)

(Spectral Radius Formula for self-adjoint operators). Let **H** be a Hilbert space. For every self-adjoint operator  $T \in B(H)$ , one has the equality rad H(T) = ||T||

### Proof.

It  $\mathbf{T} = 0$ , there is nothing to prove, so without any loss of generality we can assume that  $\|\mathbf{T}\| = 1$ .

Since  $radH(T) \le ||T|| = 1$ , all we have to prove is the fact that **Spec** H(T) contains one of the numbers ±1. Equivalently,

we must prove that either (-L-T) or(L-T) is non-invertible.

Consider the positive operator  $\mathbf{X} = T^2$ , so that we have X - L = (-L - T)(L - T) = (L - T)(-L - T),

which means that we must prove that (X - L) is non-invertible.

We prove this fact by contradiction.

Assume that (X - L) is invertible, there exists some constant  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\alpha L \leq (X - L)^*(X - L) = (X - L)^*....(12)$ Remark that, since  $\|\mathbf{T}\| = 1$ , we have the inequality  $0 \le (T^{4}\mathbf{e}|\mathbf{e}) = \|T^{2}e\|^{2} \le (\|\mathbf{T}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{T}\mathbf{e}\|)^{2} \le \|\mathbf{T}e\|^{2} = (T^{2}\mathbf{e}|\mathbf{e}), \forall \mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{H},$ which reads:

$$\mathbf{X} \ge X^2 \ge 0.$$

In particular this gives  $(\mathbf{L} - \mathbf{X}) - (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{L})^2 = \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}^2 \ge 0$ , so we also have  $(\mathbf{L} - \mathbf{X}) \ge (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{L})^2 .$ Using (13) this forces the inequality (L-  $X \ge \alpha L$ ), which can be re-written as  $(1 - \alpha)^L \geq \mathbf{X}.$ 

In other words, we have

 $(1 - \alpha) \| e \|^{2} = (1 - \alpha)(e | e) \ge (Xe | e) = (T^{2}e | e) = \| T e \|^{2}, \forall e \in H,$ which gives

 $\|\mathbf{T}\mathbf{e}\| \leq \sqrt{1-\alpha} \cdot \|\mathbf{e}\|, \forall \mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{H}.$ 

This forces  $\|\mathbf{T}\| \leq \sqrt{1 - \alpha}$ , which contradicts the assumption that **||T|**|=1.

Although the following result may look quite "innocent," it is crucial for the development of the theory.

### Proposition(1-15).

Fix  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{H1}, \mathbf{H2})$ . Consider the sesquilinear map  $\boldsymbol{\varphi} : \mathbf{H1} \times \mathbf{H1} \ni (\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{q}) \longrightarrow (T^*\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e}|\mathbf{q})\mathbf{H1} \in \mathbf{C}$ . By Theorem(2.1), we know that  $\|T^*\mathbf{T}\| = \|\boldsymbol{\varphi}\|$ .

Notice however that, for every  $\boldsymbol{\xi} \in \mathbf{H1}$  with  $\|\mathbf{e}\| \le 1$ , one has  $\|\boldsymbol{\phi}\| \ge |\boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{e})| = |(T^*\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e} |\mathbf{e})| = |(\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e} ||\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e})| = ||\mathbf{T} \mathbf{e}||^2$ , so we get

$$\sqrt{\|\phi\|} \ge \sup\{\|\mathsf{T}e\|: e \in \mathsf{H1}, \|e\| \le 1\} = \|\mathsf{T}\|,$$

thus proving the inequality  $\| \mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{T} \| = \| \boldsymbol{\varphi} \| \ge \| \mathbf{T} \|^2$ .

The other inequality is immediate, since

 $\| \mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{T} \| \leq \| \mathbf{T}^* \| \cdot \|\mathbf{T}\| = \|\mathbf{T}\|^2.$ 

**Corollary**(2-16).

Let **H** be a Hilbert space, and let **A** be an involutive Banach algebra.

Then every \*-homomorphism  $\Phi : A \to B(H)$  is contractive, in the sense that one has the inequality

 $\| \mathbf{\Phi}(\mathbf{a}) \| \le \| \mathbf{a} \|, \forall \mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{A}$ ....(14)

### <u>Proof</u>.

Fix a \*-homomorphism  $\Phi : A \rightarrow B(H)$ .

We can assume that **A** is unital, and  $\Phi(1) = L$ .

(If not, we work with the unitized algebra  $\widetilde{A}$ , which is again an involutive Banach algebra, and with the map

 $\widetilde{\Phi}$  :  $\widetilde{A} \to \widetilde{B}(H)$  defined by  $\widetilde{\Phi}(a, \alpha) = \Phi(a) + \alpha L$ ,  $a \in A$ ,  $\alpha \in C$ , which clearly defines **a** \*-homomorphism satisfying  $\widetilde{\Phi}(1)=L$ .)

To prove (14) we start with an arbitrary element  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{A}$ , and we consider the

element  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}^* \mathbf{a}$ .

On the one hand, the operator  $\Phi(b) = \Phi(a)^* \Phi(a) B(H)$  is obviously selfadjoint, so by Proposition(2.6), we know that

 $\| \mathbf{\Phi}(b) \| = rad H \mathbf{\Phi}(b)....(15)$ 

Since  $\Phi$  is an algebra homomorphism with  $\Phi(1) = 1$ , we have the inclusion

**Spec**  $H\Phi(b) \subset$  **Spec** A (b) ,

which then gives the inequality

**rad** H **Φ**(b)≤ **rad** A (b).

Using the inequality  $\mathbf{rad}A(b) \leq \|\mathbf{b}\|$ , the above inequality, combined with (16), yields

 $\| \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{b}) \| \leq \| \mathbf{b} \|$ ....(16).

On the other hand, using Proposition (2-14), we know that

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\| \mathbf{\Phi}(b) \| = \| \mathbf{\Phi}(a)^* \mathbf{\Phi}(a) \| = \| \mathbf{\Phi}(a) \|^2
so (17) reads
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 $\| \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{a}) \|^{2} \leq \| \mathbf{b} \| \dots (17).$ Finally, since **A** is an involutive Banch algebra, we have  $\| \mathbf{b} \| = \| \mathbf{a}^{*} \mathbf{a} \| \leq \| \mathbf{a}^{*} \| \cdot \| \mathbf{a} \| = \| \mathbf{a} \|^{2},$ and then (**17**) clearly gives (**14**). The identity (**13**) is referred to as the **C**\*-norm condition.

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The above result suggests that this property has interesting applications. As shall see a little later, this condition is at the heart of the entire theory. e la

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