

## CHAPTER 8

## HILBERT SPACES

The trigonometric Hilbert basis of  $L^2$ 

1. Let  $m$  denote the normalized Lebesgue measure on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . (The integral of  $f \in L^1(m)$  over this interval will be denoted by  $\int f dm$ .) Let  $e_k(x) = e^{ikx}$  ( $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ), and denote

$$s_n = \sum_{|k| \leq n} e_k \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$\sigma_n = (1/n) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} s_j \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Note that  $\sigma_1 = s_0 = e_0 = 1$ ,  $\{e_k; k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is orthonormal in the Hilbert space  $L^2(m)$ , and

$$\int s_n dm = (s_n, e_0) = \sum_{|k| \leq n} (e_k, e_0) = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$\int \sigma_n dm = (1/n) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int s_j dm = 1. \quad (2)$$

Prove

$$(a) \quad s_n(x) = \frac{\cos(nx) - \cos(n+1)x}{1 - \cos x} = \frac{\sin((n+1/2)x)}{\sin(x/2)}.$$

*Solution.*

Let  $t_n := \sum_{k=0}^n e_k$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots$ ). Then

$$s_n = t_n + \overline{t_n} - e_0. \quad (3)$$

Since  $e_k = e_1^k$ ,

$$t_n = \sum_{k=0}^n e_1^k = \frac{e_1^{n+1} - 1}{e_1 - 1}. \quad (4)$$

By (3) and (4)

$$\begin{aligned} s_n &= \frac{e_1^{n+1} - 1}{e_1 - 1} + \frac{\overline{e_1^{n+1} - 1}}{\overline{e_1 - 1}} - 1 \\ &= \frac{e_1^n - e_1^{n+1} + \overline{e_1^n - e_1^{n+1}} + (1 - e_1) + \overline{1 - e_1}}{|e_1 - 1|^2} - 1 \\ &= \frac{\Re(e_1^n - e_1^{n+1})}{\Re(1 - e_1)} = \frac{\cos(nx) - \cos(n+1)x}{1 - \cos x}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the addition identities for the cosine and sine functions and the identities  $1 - \cos x = 2 \sin^2(x/2)$  and  $\sin x = 2 \sin(x/2) \cos(x/2)$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} s_n &= \frac{\cos(nx)(1 - \cos x) + \sin(nx) \sin x}{2 \sin^2(x/2)} \\ &= \frac{\cos(nx) \sin^2(x/2) + \sin(nx) \sin(x/2) \cos(x/2)}{\sin^2(x/2)} \\ &= \frac{\cos(nx) \sin(x/2) + \sin(nx) \cos(x/2)}{\sin(x/2)} = \frac{\sin(n+1/2)x}{\sin(x/2)}. \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \sigma_n(x) = (1/n) \frac{1 - \cos(nx)}{1 - \cos x} = (1/n) \left( \frac{\sin(nx/2)}{\sin(x/2)} \right)^2.$$

(This is an immediate consequence of Part (a) and the identity  $1 - \cos t = 2 \sin^2(t/2)$ .)

(c)  $\{\sigma_n\}$  is an “approximate identity” in the sense of Exercise 6, Chapter 4. Consequently  $\sigma_n * f \rightarrow f$  uniformly on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  if  $f \in C([-\pi, \pi])$  and  $f(\pi) = f(-\pi)$ , and in  $L^p$ -metric if  $f \in L^p := L^p(m)$  (for each  $p \in [1, \infty)$ ). (Cf. Exercise 6, Chapter 4.)

(Details:  $\sigma_n \geq 0$  by Part (b);  $\int \sigma_n dm = 1$  by (2); finally, for any  $0 < \delta \leq |x| \leq \pi$ ,  $\sin^2(x/2) \geq \sin^2(\delta/2)$ , and therefore

$$\sup_{\delta \leq |x| \leq \pi} \sigma_n(x) \leq \sin^{-2}(\delta/2)/n \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . This shows that  $\{\sigma_n\}$  is an approximate identity in the sense of Exercise 6, Chapter 4, and the stated consequences follow from that exercise.)

(d) Consider the orthogonal projections  $P$  and  $P_n$  associated with the orthonormal sets  $\{e_k; k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  and  $\{e_k; |k| \leq n\}$  respectively, and denote  $Q_n = (1/n) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} P_j$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

*Terminology:*  $Pf := \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (f, e_k) e_k$  is called the (formal) Fourier series of  $f$  for any integrable  $f$  (it converges in  $L^2$  if  $f \in L^2$ );  $(f, e_k)$  is the  $k$ -th Fourier coefficient of  $f$ ;  $P_n f$  is the  $n$ -th partial sum of the Fourier series for  $f$ ;  $Q_n f$  is the  $n$ -th Cesaro mean of the Fourier series of  $f$ .

Observe that  $P_n f = s_n * f$  and  $Q_n f = \sigma_n * f$  for any integrable function  $f$ . Consequently  $Q_n f \rightarrow f$  uniformly in  $[-\pi, \pi]$  if  $f \in C_T := \{f \in C([-\pi, \pi]); f(\pi) = f(-\pi)\}$ , and in  $L^p$ -norm if  $f \in L^p$  (for each  $p \in [1, \infty)$ ). If  $f \in L^\infty := L^\infty(-\pi, \pi)$ ,  $Q_n f \rightarrow f$  in the weak\*-topology on  $L^\infty$ . (Cf. Exercise 6, Chapter 4.)

(Details: we have

$$(f, e_k) e_k(x) = \left( \int f(y) \overline{e_k(y)} dm(y) \right) e_k(x) = \int f(y) e_k(x-y) dm(y) = (e_k * f)(x).$$

Hence

$$P_n f := \sum_{|k| \leq n} (f, e_k) e_k = \sum_{|k| \leq n} (e_k * f) = s_n * f \quad (5)$$

and

$$Q_n f := (1/n) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} P_j f = (1/n) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} s_j * f = \sigma_n * f. \quad (5')$$

The remaining statements are a rewording of Part (c) (and Exercise 6(c), Chapter 4), using (5').)

(e)  $\{e_k; k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a Hilbert basis for  $L^2(m)$ . (Note that  $Q_n f \in \text{span}\{e_k\}$  and use Part (d).)

(Details: by Part (d),  $Q_n f \rightarrow f$  in  $L^2(m)$ -norm, for every  $f \in L^2(m)$ . Hence  $L^2(m) = \overline{\text{span}\{e_k\}}$ , since  $Q_n f$  is clearly in the span of  $\{e_k\}$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . By Terminology 8.11, this shows that the orthonormal set  $\{e_k\}$  is a Hilbert basis for  $L^2(m)$ .)

## Fourier coefficients

2. (Notation as in Exercise 1.) Given  $k \in \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow c_k \in \mathbb{C}$ , denote  $g_n = \sum_{|k| \leq n} c_k e_k$  ( $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ) and  $G_n = (1/n) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} g_j$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Note that  $(g_n, e_m) = c_m$  for  $n \geq |m|$  and  $= 0$  for  $n < |m|$ , and consequently  $(G_n, e_k) = (1 - |k|/n) c_k$  for  $n > |k|$  and  $= 0$  for  $n \leq |k|$ .

(Details: by orthonormality of  $\{e_k\}$ ,  $(g_j, e_k) = c_k$  if  $j \geq |k|$  and  $= 0$  otherwise. If  $n > |k|$ , there are  $n - |k|$  indices  $j$  between  $|k|$  and  $n - 1$ ; hence

$$(G_n, e_k) = (1/n) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (g_j, e_k) = (1/n)(n - |k|)c_k.$$

If  $n \leq |k|$ ,  $(g_j, e_k) = 0$  for all  $j = 0, \dots, n - 1$ , hence  $(G_n, e_k) = 0$ .)

(a) Let  $p \in (1, \infty]$ . Prove that if

$$M := \sup_n \|G_n\|_p < \infty, \tag{6}$$

then there exists  $f \in L^p$  such that  $c_k = (f, e_k)$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and conversely. (Hint: the ball  $\overline{B}(0, M)$  in  $L^p$  is *weak\**-compact, cf. Theorems 5.24 and 4.6. For the converse, see Exercise 1.)

*Solution.*

Let  $q \in [1, \infty)$  be the conjugate exponent of the given  $p \in (1, \infty]$ ;  $L^p(m)$  is isometrically isomorphic to  $L^q(m)^*$  (cf. Theorem 4.6). Hence, by Alaoglu's theorem (Theorem 5.24), the norm-closed ball  $\overline{B}(0, M)$  in  $L^p(m)$  is *weak\**-compact. If (6) holds, the sequence  $\{G_n\}$  is contained in  $\overline{B}(0, M)$ , and consequently there exists a subsequence  $\{G_{n_l}\}$  converging *weak\** to some  $f \in L^p(m)$ . For each  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have  $e_k \in L^q(m)$ ; hence  $(G_{n_l}, e_k) \rightarrow (f, e_k)$  as  $l \rightarrow \infty$ , and therefore, by Part (a),

$$(f, e_k) = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} (G_{n_l}, e_k) = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \frac{k}{n_l})c_k = c_k.$$

Conversely, if  $c_k = (f, e_k)$  for some  $f \in L^p(m)$  and all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $g_n = \sum_{|k| \leq n} (f, e_k)e_k := P_n f$ , hence  $G_n = Q_n f$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, by Exercise 1 (Parts (d) and (c)) and Exercise 5, Chapter 4,

$$\|G_n\|_p = \|Q_n f\|_p = \|\sigma_n * f\|_p \leq \|\sigma_n\|_1 \|f\|_p = \|f\|_p$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , that is  $M \leq \|f\|_p$ .

(b) If  $\{G_n\}$  converges in  $L^1$ -norm, then there exists  $f \in L^1$  such that  $c_k = (f, e_k)$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and conversely.

*Solution.*

Let  $f$  be the limit of  $\{G_n\}$  in  $L^1(m)$ -norm. Then for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have  $(G_n, e_k) \rightarrow (f, e_k)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , since strong convergence implies weak convergence; hence

$$c_k = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{|k|}{n}\right) c_k = \lim_n (G_n, e_k) = (f, e_k).$$

Conversely, if there exists  $f \in L^1(m)$  such that  $c_k = (f, e_k)$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then as in the "converse" part in (a),  $G_n = Q_n f \rightarrow f$  in  $L^1(m)$ -norm, by Exercise 1(d).

(c) If  $\{G_n\}$  converges uniformly in  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , then there exists  $f \in C_T$  such that  $c_k = (f, e_k)$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and conversely.

*Solution.*

Clearly  $G_n \in C_T$ . Let  $f$  be its uniform limit on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  (according to the hypothesis). Then  $f \in C_T$ , and for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have

$$c_k = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{|k|}{n}\right) c_k = \lim_n \int G_n e_{-k} dm = \int f e_{-k} dm = (f, e_k)$$

by uniform convergence.

Conversely, if  $c_k = (f, e_k)$  for some  $f \in C_T$  (for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ), then  $G_n = Q_n f \rightarrow f$  uniformly in  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , by Exercise 1(d).

(d) If  $\sup_n \|G_n\|_1 < \infty$ , there exists a regular complex Borel measure  $\mu$  on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  with  $\mu(\{\pi\}) = \mu(\{-\pi\})$  (briefly,  $\mu \in M_T$ ) such that  $c_k = \int e_k d\mu$  for all  $k$ , and conversely. (Hint: Consider the measures  $d\mu_n = G_n dm$ , and apply Theorems 5.24 and 4.9.)

*Solution.*

Let  $M := \sup_n \|G_n\|_1$  ( $M < \infty$  by hypothesis), and define the measures  $d\mu_n = G_n dm$ . By Theorem 1.47,

$$\|\mu_n\| := |\mu_n|([-\pi, \pi]) = \int |G_n| dm = \|G_n\|_1 \leq M. \quad (7)$$

By the Riesz Representation theorem (Theorem 4.9) and Alaoglu's theorem (Theorem 5.24), the strongly closed ball  $\overline{B}(0, M)$  of  $M_r([-\pi, \pi])$  (notation as in Exercise 2, Chapter 4) is *weak\**-compact. Therefore, by (7), there exists a subsequence  $\{\mu_{n_l}\}$  converging *weak\** to some  $\mu_0 \in M_r([-\pi, \pi])$ . Since  $e_k \in C([-\pi, \pi])$ , we then have for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\int e_{-k} d\mu_0 = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \int e_{-k} G_{n_l} dm = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{|k|}{n_l}\right) c_k = c_k.$$

Setting  $\mu(E) = \mu_0(-E)$  for all Borel sets  $E \subset [-\pi, \pi]$ , we get  $\int e_k d\mu = \int e_{-k} d\mu_0 = c_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . ( $\mu$  “inherits”  $2\pi$ -periodicity from  $G_n$ .)

Conversely, if  $c_k = \int e_k d\mu$  for some  $\mu \in M_T$  and all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then

$$g_j(x) := \sum_{|k| \leq j} \int e_k(x+y) d\mu(y) = \int s_j(x+y) d\mu(y), \quad (8)$$

and therefore

$$G_n(x) = \int \sigma_n(x+y) d\mu(y). \quad (9)$$

Since  $\sigma_n$  are non-negative, continuous,  $2\pi$ -periodic, with integral equal to 1, we obtain by an application of Tonelli’s theorem

$$\|G_n\|_1 \leq \int \int \sigma_n(x+y) d|\mu|(y) dm(x) = \int \int \sigma_n(x+y) dm(x) d|\mu|(y) = \|\mu\|,$$

and the condition  $\sup_n \|G_n\| < \infty$  is satisfied.

(e) If  $G_n \geq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists a finite *positive* Borel measure  $\mu$  as in Part (d), and conversely.

*Solution.*

If  $G_n \geq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\|G_n\|_1 = \int G_n dm = (G_n, e_0) = c_0$ , and the condition in Part (d) is trivially satisfied. In the present case, the measure  $\mu \in M_T$  obtained in Part (d) is the *weak\**-limit of *positive* measures  $\mu_{n_i}$ , and therefore  $\int f d\mu \geq 0$  for all  $f \in C([-\pi, \pi])^+$ . Since  $\mu$  is regular, the latter space is dense in  $L^1(|\mu|)^+$  (cf. Corollary 3.21), and it follows that  $\int f d\mu$  is non-negative for all  $f \in L^1(|\mu|)^+$ , hence in particular for indicators  $I_E$  of Borel sets  $E \subset [-\pi, \pi]$ , i.e.,  $\mu(E) \geq 0$ .

The converse follows from (9), since  $\sigma_n \geq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

## Poisson integrals

3. (Notation as in Exercise 1.) Let  $D$  be the open unit disc in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

(a) Verify that  $\frac{e_1+z}{e_1-z} = 1 + 2 \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} e_{-k} z^k$  for all  $z \in D$ , where the series converges absolutely and uniformly in  $z$  in any compact subset of  $D$ . Conclude that for any complex Borel measure  $\mu$  on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ ,

$$g(z) := \int \frac{e_1+z}{e_1-z} d\mu = \mu([-\pi, \pi]) + 2 \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} c_k z^k, \quad (10)$$

where  $c_k = \int e_{-k} d\mu$  and integration is over  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . In particular,  $g$  is analytic in  $D$ , and if  $\mu$  is *real*,  $\Re g(z) = \int \Re \frac{e_1+z}{e_1-z} d\mu$  is (real) harmonic in  $D$ . Verify that the “kernel” in the last integral has the form  $P_r(\theta - t)$ , where  $z = re^{i\theta}$  and

$$P_r(\theta) := \frac{1 - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos \theta + r^2}$$

is the classical *Poisson kernel* (for the disc). Thus

$$(\Re g)(re^{i\theta}) = (P_r * \mu)(\theta) := \int P_r(\theta - t) d\mu(t). \quad (11)$$

(*Details.* As a geometric series  $\sum e_{-k} z^k = \sum (e_{-1} z)^k$  converges absolutely and uniformly in  $z$  on any compact subset of  $D$  (since  $|e_{-1} z| = |z|$ ). Also

$$1 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} e_{-k} z^k = 1 + \frac{2e_{-1} z}{1 - e_{-1} z} = \frac{e_1 + z}{e_1 - z}.$$

For each fixed  $z \in D$ , the series of absolute values is a constant series with respect to  $t$  on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ ; by the Weierstrass test, the series converges uniformly with respect to  $t$  on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , hence can be integrated term-by-term on this interval. This yields (10).

The formula  $\Re \frac{e_1(t)+z}{e_1(t)-z} = P_r(\theta - t)$  (where  $z = re^{i\theta}$ ) is verified by direct calculation.)

(b) Let  $\mu$  be a complex Borel measure on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . Then  $P_r * \mu$  is a complex harmonic function in  $D$  (as a function of  $z = re^{i\theta}$ ). (This is true in particular for  $P_r * f$ , for any  $f \in L^1(m)$ .)

(*Details.* It was observed in Part (a) that  $g$  (defined by (10)) is analytic in  $D$ , and if  $\mu$  is real, then  $P_r * \mu = \Re g$  is (real) harmonic in  $D$  (cf. (11)). In the general case, write  $\mu = \lambda + i\nu$  with  $\lambda, \nu$  *real* Borel measures. Then  $P_r * \mu = P_r * \lambda + iP_r * \nu$  is a complex harmonic function in  $D$  as a function of  $z = re^{i\theta}$ .)

(c) Verify that  $\{P_r; 0 < r < 1\}$  is an “approximate identity” for  $L^1$  in the sense of Exercise 6, Chapter 4 (with the continuous parameter  $r$  instead of the discrete  $n$ ). Consequently, as  $r \rightarrow 1$ ,

- (i) if  $f \in L^p$  for some  $p < \infty$ , then  $P_r * f \rightarrow f$  in  $L^p$ -norm;
- (ii) if  $f \in C_T$ , then  $P_r * f \rightarrow f$  uniformly in  $[-\pi, \pi]$ ;
- (iii) if  $f \in L^\infty$ , then  $P_r * f \rightarrow f$  in the *weak\**-topology on  $L^\infty$ ;
- (iv) if  $\mu \in M_T$ , then  $(P_r * \mu) dm \rightarrow d\mu$  in the *weak\**-topology.

*Solution.*

Since  $1 - 2r \cos \theta + r^2 \geq 1 - 2r + r^2 = (1 - r)^2 > 0$ , the Poisson kernel  $P_r$  is positive and continuous (hence Lebesgue measurable) on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . By (11) and (10) with  $\mu = m$ , the periodicity of  $P_r$ , and orthonormality of  $\{e_k\}$

$$\int P_r d\theta = P_r * 1 = \mathfrak{R}g = \mathfrak{R}\left(m([-\pi, \pi]) + 2 \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} (e_0, e_k) z^k\right) = 1.$$

Since  $\cos \theta \leq \cos \delta$  when  $\delta \leq |\theta| \leq \pi$ , we have for any  $\delta > 0$

$$\sup_{\delta \leq \theta \leq \pi} P_r(\theta) \leq \frac{1 - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos \delta + r^2} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ . Collecting, this verifies that  $\{P_r; 0 < r < 1\}$  is an approximate identity for  $L^1(m)$  in the senses of Exercise 6, Chapter 4. Statements (i), (ii), (iii) follow then from (b), (a), (c) in that exercise (respectively).

For any  $f : [-\pi, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , denote  $\tilde{f}(t) = f(-t)$ . Let  $f \in C_T$ . By (ii) (and commutativity of the convolution),  $\tilde{f} * P_r \rightarrow \tilde{f}$  uniformly on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ ; hence for any  $\mu \in M_T$ ,

$$[(\tilde{f} * P_r) * \mu](0) \rightarrow [\tilde{f} * \mu](0) = \int f d\mu.$$

By associativity of the convolution, this means that

$$\int f (P_r * \mu) dm = [\tilde{f} * (P_r * \mu)](0) \rightarrow \int f d\mu$$

as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ , for all  $f \in C_T$ . Equivalently,  $(P_r * \mu) dm \rightarrow d\mu$  in the *weak\**-topology of  $M_T$ .

(d) For  $\mu \in M_T$ , denote  $F(t) = \mu([-\pi, t])$ . If  $\mu([-\pi, \pi]) = 0$ , verify the identity

$$(P_r * \mu)(\theta) = r \int K_r(t) \frac{F(\theta + t) - F(\theta - t)}{2 \sin t} dt, \quad (12)$$

where

$$K_r(t) = \frac{2(1 - r^2) \sin^2 t}{(1 - 2r \cos t + r^2)^2}. \quad (13)$$

Verify that  $\{K_r; 0 < r < 1\}$  is an approximate identity for  $L^1(m)$  in the sense of Exercise 6, Chapter 4. (Hint: integration by parts.)

*Solution.*

Routine calculation shows that

$$P_r'(t) = -r \frac{K_r(t)}{\sin t}. \quad (14)$$

Therefore the right hand side of (12) is equal to

$$(1/2) \int P_r'(t)[F(\theta - t) - F(\theta + t)] dt. \quad (15)$$

We now integrate by parts. Since  $P_r(\pi) = P_r(-\pi)$ , and  $\mu \in M_T$  is extended beyond  $[-\pi, \pi]$  in a  $2\pi$ -periodic manner, the integrated part is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & P_r(\pi)[F(\theta - \pi) - F(\theta + \pi) - F(\theta + \pi) + F(\theta - \pi)] \\ &= -2P_r(\pi)\mu([- \pi + \theta, \pi + \theta]) = -2P_r(\pi)\mu([- \pi, \pi]) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

by the hypothesis  $\mu([- \pi, \pi]) = 0$ . The integral part is equal to

$$\int P_r(t)d\mu(\theta - t) + \int P_r(t)d\mu(\theta + t). \quad (17)$$

Since  $P_r$  is even, this last expression is equal to  $2 \int P_r(t)d\mu(\theta - t) = 2(P_r * \mu)(\theta)$ , and (12) follows now from (15), (16), and (17).

The functions  $K_r$  are non-negative elements of  $C_T$ . By (14) and integration by parts

$$\int K_r dm = -(1/r) \int P_r'(t) \sin t dm = (1/r) \int P_r(t) \cos t dm = (1/r)(P_r * \cos t)(0). \quad (18)$$

Let  $g$  correspond to the measure  $d\mu = \cos t dm$  as in Part (a). Then  $\mu([- \pi, \pi]) = \int \cos t dm = 0$ , and

$$c_k = \int \cos t e_{-k} dm = (1/2)(e_1 + e_{-1}, e_k) = (1/2)\delta_{1,k}$$

for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . By (10) we then have  $g(z) = z$ , and therefore  $(P_r * \cos t)(\theta) = \Re g(re^{i\theta}) = r \cos \theta$ . Hence by (18),  $\int K_r dm = 1$ . Finally, for any  $0 < \delta \leq \pi$ ,

$$\sup_{\delta \leq t \leq \pi} K_r(t) \leq \frac{2(1 - r^2)}{(1 - 2r \cos \delta + r^2)^2} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ .

(e) Let  $G_\theta(t)$  denote the function integrated against  $K_r(t)$  in (12). If  $F$  is differentiable at the point  $\theta$ ,  $G_\theta(\cdot)$  is continuous at 0 and  $G_\theta(0) = F'(\theta)$ . Conclude from Part (d) that  $P_r * \mu \rightarrow 2\pi F' (= 2\pi D\mu = \frac{d\mu_a}{dm})$  as  $r \rightarrow 1$  at all points  $\theta$  where  $F$  is differentiable, that is,  $m$ -almost everywhere in  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . (Cf. Theorem 3.28 with  $k = 1$  and Exercise 4(e), Chapter 3; note that here  $m$  is *normalized* Lebesgue measure on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ .) This is the “radial limit” version of *Fatou’s theorem* on “Poisson integrals”. (The same conclusion is true with “non-tangential convergence” of  $re^{i\theta}$  to points of the unit circle.)

*Solution.*

If  $F$  is differentiable at the point  $\theta$ ,  $\frac{F(\theta+t)-F(\theta-t)}{2t} \rightarrow F'(\theta)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore  $G_\theta(t) = \frac{F(\theta+t)-F(\theta-t)}{2t}(t/\sin t) \rightarrow F'(\theta)$ , and if we extend the definition of  $G_\theta$  to  $t = 0$  by letting  $G_\theta(0) := F'(\theta)$  (and  $2\pi$ -periodically outside  $[-\pi, \pi]$ ), we obtain  $G_\theta \in C_T$ . Suppose  $\mu([- \pi, \pi]) = 0$ . By (12) and Exercise 6(a), Chapter 4, since  $K_r(-t) = K_r(t)$ , we have for all  $\theta$  as above

$$(P_r * \mu)(\theta) = 2\pi r \int K_r(0-t)G_\theta(t) dm \rightarrow 2\pi G_\theta(0) = 2\pi F'(\theta) = 2\pi(D\mu)(\theta) \quad (19)$$

as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ , where  $D\mu$  is the derivative of  $\mu$  with respect to the Lebesgue measure  $dt$  (cf. Exercise 4(e), Chapter 3). Furthermore, these points  $\theta$  are precisely the points where  $(D\mu)(\theta)$  exist, that is,  $m$ -almost every point in  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , by Theorem 3.28. Also, by that theorem,  $2\pi D\mu = 2\pi \frac{d\mu_a}{dt} = \frac{d\mu_a}{dm}$  (the Radon-Nikodym derivative of the absolutely continuous part  $\mu_a$  of  $\mu$ ).

The restriction  $\mu([- \pi, \pi]) = 0$  can be removed as follows. Denote (for any  $\mu \in M_T$ )  $\mu([- \pi, \pi]) = c$  and  $F_\mu(t) = \mu([- \pi, t])$ . Since  $F_{cm}(t) = (c/2\pi)(t+\pi)$  is differentiable for all  $t$  (with derivative  $c/2\pi$ ), and  $F_\mu = F_{\mu-cm} + F_{cm}$ , it follows that  $F_\mu$  is differentiable at  $\theta$  iff  $F_{\mu-cm}$  is, and in that case

$$2\pi F'_{\mu-cm}(\theta) = 2\pi F'_\mu(\theta) - c. \quad (20)$$

The measure  $\mu - cm$  satisfies the condition  $(\mu - cm)([- \pi, \pi]) = 0$ , and therefore, if  $F_\mu$  is differentiable at  $\theta$  (i.e.,  $F_{\mu-cm}$  is differentiable at  $\theta$ !), then as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ ,

$$(P_r * (\mu - cm))(\theta) \rightarrow 2\pi F'_{\mu-cm}(\theta). \quad (21)$$

By Part (c),

$$(P_r * cm)(\theta) = c \int P_r(\theta - t) dm = c \quad (\theta \in [-\pi, \pi]). \quad (22)$$

Therefore, by (20)-(22),

$$(P_r * \mu)(\theta) = (P_r * (\mu - cm))(\theta) + (P_r * cm)(\theta) \rightarrow 2\pi F'_\mu(\theta).$$

The verification of the remaining assertions does not depend on the extraneous condition  $\mu([-\pi, \pi]) = 0$ .

(f) State and prove the analog of Exercise 2 for the representation of harmonic functions in  $D$  as Poisson integrals.

*Solution.*

*Statement.* Let  $f$  be a complex harmonic function in  $D$ , and let  $f_r(\theta) = f(re^{i\theta})$ ,  $0 \leq r < 1$ ,  $\theta \in [-\pi, \pi]$ .

- (i) If  $1 < p \leq \infty$ , then  $f$  is the Poisson integral of an  $L^p$ -function iff  $\sup_r \|f_r\|_p < \infty$ .
- (ii)  $f$  is the Poisson integral of an  $L^1$ -function iff  $f_r$  converge in  $L^1$  as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ .
- (iii)  $f$  is the Poisson integral of a continuous function iff  $f_r$  converge uniformly as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ .
- (iv)  $f$  is the Poisson integral of a (regular) complex Borel measure iff  $\sup_r \|f_r\|_1 < \infty$ .
- (v)  $f$  is the Poisson integral of a finite positive (regular) Borel measure iff  $f \geq 0$  (Herglotz' theorem).

*Proof.*

(i) If  $f$  is the Poisson integral of  $h \in L^p$ , then  $f_r = P_r * h$ , and therefore, by Exercise 5, Chapter 4 (adapted to periodic functions on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ ),  $\sup_r \|f_r\|_p \leq \sup_r \|P_r\|_1 \|h\|_p = \|h\|_p < \infty$ . Conversely, suppose  $M := \sup_r \|f_r\|_p < \infty$ . Then the set  $\{f_r; 0 \leq r < 1\}$  is contained in the closed  $M$ -ball of  $L^p$ , which is *weak\**-compact by Theorems 4.6 and 5.24. Let  $h \in L^p$  be a *weak\**-limit point of  $f_r$  as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ , say  $f_{r_k} \rightarrow h$  *weak\** and  $r_k \rightarrow 1-$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

If  $f = f(re^{i\theta})$  is *real* harmonic in  $D$ , it is the real part of an analytic function in  $D$ , and has therefore an (absolutely convergent) expansion of the form  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n r^{|n|} e^{in\theta}$  in  $D$ . The same is true for  $f$  complex harmonic (consider  $\Re f$  and  $\Im f$ , etc.). Since the series converges uniformly on any circle  $\{z; |z| = r\}$ , it follows that  $(f_r, e_n) = c_n r^{|n|}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Since  $e_n \in L^q$  (for  $q$  the conjugate exponent of  $p$ ),

$$(h, e_n) = \lim_k (f_{r_k}, e_n) = \lim_k c_n r_k^{|n|} = c_n$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We observe that  $r^{|n|}$  is the  $n$ -th Fourier coefficient of  $P_r$ ; since we just found that  $c_n$  is the  $n$ -th Fourier coefficient of  $h$ , it follows (cf. Exercise 7(f), Chapter 2, adapted to the periodic case) that  $c_n r^{|n|}$  is the  $n$ -th Fourier coefficient of  $P_r * h$ ,

for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Since the Fourier coefficients determine an integrable function uniquely (a.e.) on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , we conclude that  $f_r = P_r * h$  for  $r < 1$  and  $\theta \in [-\pi, \pi]$  (everywhere, by continuity!).

(ii) If  $f_r = P_r * h$  with  $h \in L^1$ , then  $f_r \rightarrow h$  in  $L^1$  as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ , by Part (c)(i). Conversely, if  $f_r \rightarrow h$  in  $L^1$ , then for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  (by our previous calculation)

$$c_n = \lim_{r \rightarrow 1-} c_n r^{|n|} = \lim_r (f_r, e_n) = (h, e_n),$$

and we conclude as before that  $f_r = P_r * h$  (because they have the same Fourier coefficients  $c_n r^{|n|}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ).

(iii) If  $f_r = P_r * h$  for some  $h \in C_T$ , then  $f_r \rightarrow h$  uniformly on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ , by Part (c)(ii). Conversely, if  $f_r$  converges uniformly as  $r \rightarrow 1-$  (to some  $h$ ), then necessarily  $h \in C_T$  and  $c_n = (h, e_n)$  for all  $n$  (same calculation as above). It then follows as before that  $f_r = P_r * h$ .

(iv) If  $f_r = P_r * \mu$  for some complex Borel measure  $\mu$ , then by Tonelli's theorem (Theorem 2.18)

$$\|f_r\|_1 \leq \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P_r(\theta - t) d|\mu|(t) dm = \int \int P_r(\theta - t) dm d|\mu|(t) = \|\mu\|.$$

Conversely, assume  $M := \sup_r \|f_r\|_1 < \infty$ . The set of (regular) complex Borel measures  $\{f_r dm; 0 < r < 1\}$  is contained in the closed  $M$ -ball of  $M_T$ , which is *weak\**-compact, by Theorems 4.9 and 5.24. If  $\mu \in M_T$  is the *weak\**-limit point of the measures  $f_{r_k} dm$  (where  $r_k \rightarrow 1-$ ), then (since  $e_n \in C_T$  and  $M_T$  is identified with  $C_T^*$  through Theorem 4.9)

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e_n d\mu = \lim_k \int e_n f_{r_k} dm = \lim_k c_n r_k^{|n|} = c_n$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus  $c_n r^{|n|}$  are the Fourier coefficients of  $P_r * \mu$  (cf. solution of Part (i)), and we conclude that  $f_r = P_r * \mu$ .

(v) If  $f_r = P_r * \mu$  for some non-negative finite Borel measure  $\mu$ , then  $f_r \geq 0$  trivially, because  $P_r \geq 0$ . Suppose conversely that  $f$  is a non-negative harmonic function in  $D$ . Then (cf. proof of Part (i))

$$\|f_r\|_1 = (f_r, e_0) = c_0$$

for all  $0 < r < 1$ , that is,  $f_r$  satisfies trivially the condition of Part (iv). Hence  $f_r = P_r * \mu$  for some  $\mu \in M_T$ . By Part (c)(iv), it follows that  $f_r dm \rightarrow d\mu$  *weak\** as  $r \rightarrow 1-$ , that is,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} h d\mu = \lim_{r \rightarrow 1-} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} h f_r dm$$

for all  $h \in C_T$ . In particular,  $\int h d\mu \geq 0$  for  $h \geq 0$  (because  $f_r \geq 0$ ), that is, the map  $h \rightarrow \int h d\mu$  is a positive linear functional on  $C_T$ . By the Riesz-Markov theorem (Theorem 3.18, including the uniqueness of the representation), the measure  $\mu$  is positive (and finite, since it belongs to  $M_T$ ).

4. *Poisson integrals in the right half-plane.* Let  $\mathbb{C}^+$  denote the right half-plane, and

$$P_x(y) := \pi^{-1} \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \quad (x > 0; y \in \mathbb{R}).$$

(This is the so-called *Poisson kernel of the right half-plane*.) Prove:

(a)  $\{P_x; x > 0\}$  is an approximate identity for  $L^1(\mathbb{R})$  (as  $x \rightarrow 0+$ ). (Cf. Exercise 6, Chapter 4.) Consequently, as  $x \rightarrow 0+$ ,  $P_x * f \rightarrow f$  uniformly on  $\mathbb{R}$  if  $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$ , and in  $L^p$ -norm if  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ).

*Solution.*

The functions  $P_x$  ( $x > 0$ ) are positive and continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ , and the change of variables  $y = tx$  ( $x > 0$  fixed) shows that  $\|P_x\|_1 = (1/\pi) \int_{\mathbb{R}} dt/(1+t^2) = 1$ . For any  $\delta > 0$ ,

$$\int_{|y| \geq \delta} P_x(y) dy = (2/\pi) \int_{\delta}^{\infty} \frac{x dy}{x^2 + y^2} = (2/\pi)[\pi/2 - \arctan(\delta/x)] \rightarrow 0 \quad (23)$$

as  $x \rightarrow 0+$ . These properties of  $\{P_x; x > 0\}$  are the  $L^1(\mathbb{R})$  version of the properties of an "approximate identity". (cf. Exercise 6, Chapter 4 for the  $L^1([-\pi, \pi])$ -version).

If  $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$ , it is uniformly continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(t-y) - f(t)| < \epsilon/2$  for  $|y| < \delta$ . We may consider only  $f$  for which  $\|f\|_u \neq 0$  (since the following result is trivial for  $f$  identically 0). By the properties of the approximate identity, there exists  $\eta > 0$  such that  $\int_{|y| \geq \delta} P_x(y) dy < \epsilon/(4\|f\|_u)$  for  $0 < x < \eta$ . Hence for  $0 < x < \eta$  and all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |(P_x * f)(t) - f(t)| &= \left| \int [f(t-y) - f(t)] P_x(y) dy \right| \\ &\leq \int |f(t-y) - f(t)| P_x(y) dy = \int_{|y| < \delta} + \int_{|y| \geq \delta}. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

The first integral is  $< \epsilon/2$  by the choice of  $\delta$  (since  $P_x > 0$  and  $\int P_x(y) dy = 1$ ). The second integral is  $\leq 2\|f\|_u \int_{|y| \geq \delta} P_x(y) dy < \epsilon/2$  for  $0 < x < \eta$ . Hence  $\|P_x * f - f\|_u < \epsilon$  for  $0 < x < \eta$ , that is,  $P_x * f \rightarrow f$  uniformly on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Moreover, for any  $p \in [1, \infty)$  (still for  $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$ ),  $P_x * f \rightarrow f$  in  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$ -norm. Indeed

by (24) and the integral form of Minkowski's inequality (which is easily verified, using Riemann sums approximations of the integral in (24)),

$$\|P_x * f - f\|_p \leq \int \|f_y - f\|_p P_x(y) dy, \quad (25)$$

where  $f_y(t) = f(t - y)$ . We break the integral as before, with  $\delta > 0$  chosen such that  $\|f_y - f\|_p < \epsilon/2$  for  $|y| < \delta$  (cf. Exercise 1, Chapter 3). We then choose  $\eta$  such that  $\int_{|y| \geq \delta} P_x(y) dy < \epsilon/(4\|f\|_p)$  for  $0 < x < \eta$  (cf. (23)). Since  $\|f_y\|_p = \|f\|_p$  (by invariance of the Lebesgue measure), we conclude from (25) that  $\|P_x * f - f\|_p < \epsilon$  for  $0 < x < \eta$ , that is,  $P_x * f \rightarrow f$  in  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$ -norm (for  $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$ ). An  $\epsilon/3$ -argument as in Exercise 6, Chapter 4 extends this fact to all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$ . Let  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . By density of  $C_c(\mathbb{R})$  in  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$  (for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ; cf. Corollary 3.21), there exists  $g \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $\|f - g\|_p < \epsilon/3$ . By the preceding result for  $C_c(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\|P_x * g - g\|_p < \epsilon/3$  for  $0 < x < \eta$ , for suitable  $\eta$ . Then

$$\|P_x * f - f\|_p \leq \|P_x * (f - g)\|_p + \|P_x * g - g\|_p + \|g - f\|_p < \epsilon$$

for  $0 < x < \eta$  (the first summand above is  $\leq \|P_x\|_1 \|f - g\|_p = \|f - g\|_p < \epsilon/3$ , by Exercise 5, Chapter 4).

(b)  $(P_x * f)(y)$  is a harmonic function of  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathbb{C}^+$  (for any  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ).

*Solution.*

Clearly  $P_x(y - t) = \Re g(z - it)$  ( $z = x + iy$ ), where  $g(z) = 1/(\pi z)$ . Therefore for any real measurable  $f$  such that  $g(z - i \cdot)f$  is integrable over  $\mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(P_x * f)(y) = \Re \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(z - it)f(t) dt \quad (z = x + iy). \quad (26)$$

Since  $|g(z - i \cdot)| = (1/\pi)(x^2 + (y - \cdot)^2)^{-1/2} \in L^q(\mathbb{R})$  for each fixed  $z \in \mathbb{C}^+$  and  $1 < q \leq \infty$ ,  $f g(z - i \cdot) \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  for  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ), so that (26) is valid in that case (for  $f$  real-valued). Denote the integral in (26) by  $G(z)$ . One verifies easily that  $G$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{C}^+$ , and therefore, by (26),  $(P_x * f)(x)$  is a real harmonic function for  $(x, y)$  in the right half-plane (for each real  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ). If  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$  is complex-valued, we apply the preceding conclusion to its real and imaginary parts, and obtain (by linearity of convolution with  $P_x$ ) that  $(P_x * f)(y)$  is a complex harmonic function for  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^+$ .

(Detail: the analyticity of  $G$  in  $\mathbb{C}^+$ . Fix  $z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C}^+$ . Consider  $w = u + iv$  in the  $(x/2)$ -neighbourhood of  $z$ . We have

$$\frac{G(w) - G(z)}{w - z} = -(1/\pi) \int f(t)[(z - it)(w - it)]^{-1} dt. \quad (27)$$

The integrand is dominated by  $(2/x)|f(t)||z - it|^{-1} \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  (for  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ), and converges pointwise to  $f(t)(z - it)^{-2}$  as  $w \rightarrow x$ . Hence, by the Dominated Convergence theorem (Theorem 1.20), the left-hand side of (27) converges to  $(1/\pi) \int f(t)(z - it)^{-2} dt$  as  $w \rightarrow z$ .)

(c) If  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$ , then for each  $\delta > 0$ ,  $(P_x * f)(y) \rightarrow 0$  uniformly for  $x \geq \delta$  as  $x^2 + y^2 \rightarrow \infty$ . (Hint: use Holder's inequality with the probability measure  $d\mu = P_x(y - t)dt$  for  $x, y$  fixed.)

*Solution.*

Fix  $\delta > 0$ . Let  $q$  be the conjugate exponent of  $p$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , and let  $\mu$  be the probability measure in the hint. By Holder's inequality with the functions  $1 \in L^q(\mu)$  and  $f \in L^p(\mu)$  ( $\|f\|_p > 0$  without loss of generality),

$$|(P_x * f)(y)| \leq \|f\|_{L^p(\mu)} = (P_x * |f|^p)(y)^{1/p}. \quad (28)$$

However  $P_x(y - t) \leq 1/(\pi x)$ . Hence by (28)  $|(P_x * f)(y)| \leq \|f\|_p (\pi x)^{-1/p}$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , fix  $M > \delta$  such that  $M > (1/\pi)(\|f\|_p/\epsilon)^p$ . Then for  $x > M$ ,  $|(P_x * f)(y)| < \epsilon$  for all  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

For  $\delta \leq x \leq M$ ,

$$\int P_x(y - t)|f(t)|^p dt \leq (M/\pi) \int [\delta^2 + (y - t)^2]^{-1} |f(t)|^p dt. \quad (29)$$

The integrand on the right hand side of (29) is dominated by  $\delta^{-2}|f(t)|^p \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  and converges to 0 pointwise as  $y \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence by the Dominated Convergence theorem, the right hand side of (29) converges to 0 as  $y \rightarrow \infty$ . There exists then  $R > 0$  such that the right hand side of (29) is  $< \epsilon^p$  for  $|y| > R$ . If  $x^2 + y^2 > K := M^2 + R^2$ , then  $|y| > R$  for all  $x \leq M$ , hence by (28) and (29) (and the choice of  $R$ ),  $\sup_{\delta \leq x \leq M} |(P_x * f)(y)| < \epsilon$ . By the choice of  $M$ , it follows that  $\sup_{\delta \leq x} |(P_x * f)(y)| < \epsilon$  for all  $y$ , when  $x^2 + y^2 > K$ .

(d) If  $f \in L^1(dt/(1 + t^2))$ , then  $P_x * f \rightarrow f$  as  $x \rightarrow 0+$  pointwise a.e. on  $\mathbb{R}$ . (Hint: imitate the argument in Parts (d)-(e) of the preceding exercise, or transform the disc onto the half-plane and use Fatou's theorem for the disc).

(*Details.* Let  $h : w \rightarrow z = \frac{w-1}{w+1}$  be the fractional linear map of  $\mathbb{C}^+$  onto  $D$ ; since it maps the boundary  $i\mathbb{R}$  onto the unit circle  $\Gamma$ , we write  $h(it) = e^{-i\theta}$ . Then  $\frac{dm}{dt} = [\pi(1+t^2)]^{-1}$ . If  $g$  is a measurable function on  $\Gamma$  and  $F$  is defined on  $i\mathbb{R}$  by  $F(it) = g(e^{-i\theta}) = g(h(it))$ , then  $g(e^{-i\theta}) \in L^1(m)$  iff  $F(it) \in L^1(dt/(1 + t^2))$ , and in that case

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(e^{-i\theta}) dm = (1/\pi) \int_{\mathbb{R}} F(it) dt/(1 + t^2).$$

For  $z := h(w) \in D$ , writing  $w = x + iy$ , we calculate

$$\begin{aligned} P_r(\theta)(= P_r(-\theta)) &= \Re \frac{e^{-i\theta} + z}{e^{-i\theta} - z} = \Re \frac{h(it) + h(w)}{h(it) - h(w)} \\ &= \Re \frac{itw - 1}{it - w} = \frac{x}{x^2 + (y - t)^2} (1 + t^2). \end{aligned}$$

Given  $f \in L^1(dt/(1+t^2))$  and setting  $F(iy) := f(y)$ , we have by Exercise 3(e) (with the proper change of variables and the correspondence  $iy \rightarrow e^{-i\phi}$ )

$$(P_x * f)(y) = (P_r * g)(e^{-i\phi}) \rightarrow g(e^{-i\phi}) = F(iy) = f(y)$$

for almost all  $y$ , as  $x \rightarrow 0+$ .)

5. Let  $\mu$  be a complex Borel measure on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . Show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int e_{-n} d\mu = 0 \tag{30}$$

if and only if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int e_{-n} d|\mu| = 0. \tag{31}$$

(Hint: (30) for the measure  $\mu$  implies (30) for the measure  $d\nu = h d\mu$  for any trigonometric polynomial  $h$ ; use a density argument and the relation  $d|\mu| = h d\mu$  for an appropriate  $h$ .)

*Solution.*

Assume  $\|\mu\| \neq 0$  without loss of generality. All integrals in the following are over  $[-\pi, \pi]$ .

By linearity, if  $\mu$  satisfies (30), then for any trigonometric polynomial  $h = \sum c_j e_j$ , the measure  $d\nu := h d\mu$  satisfies (30) as well ( $\int e_{-n} d\nu = \sum_j c_j \int e_{j-n} d\mu \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). Let  $h \in C_T$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  be given. By Exercise 1(d), there exists a trigonometric polynomial  $h_0$  such that  $\|h - h_0\|_u < \epsilon/(2\|\mu\|)$ . Since  $\int e_{-n} h_0 d\mu \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|\int e_{-n} h_0 d\mu| < \epsilon/2$  for all  $n > n_0$ . Then for all such  $n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int e_{-n} h d\mu \right| &\leq \left| \int e_{-n} (h - h_0) d\mu \right| + \left| \int e_{-n} h_0 d\mu \right| \\ &< \|h - h_0\|_u \|\mu\| + \epsilon/2 < \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that (30) is valid with  $d\mu$  replaced by  $h d\mu$  for any  $h \in C_T$ .

By Theorem 1.46, there exists a complex Borel function  $k$  such that  $|k| = 1$  (identically)

and  $d|\mu| = k d\mu$ . By Exercise 2, Chapter 3,  $|\mu|$  is a *regular* finite positive Borel measure on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . By Exercise 9, Chapter 3, there exists a sequence  $g_j \in C_T$  such that  $g_j \rightarrow k|\mu|$ -almost everywhere (as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ ) and  $\|g_j\|_u \leq \|k|\mu|\|_u = 1$ . Then for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\left| \int e_{-n} d|\mu| \right| = \left| \int e_{-n} k d\mu \right| \leq \left| \int e_{-n} (k - g_j) d\mu \right| + \left| \int e_{-n} g_j d\mu \right|. \quad (32)$$

The first summand on the right hand side of (32) is  $\leq \int |k - g_j| d|\mu|$ . Since  $|k - g_j| \rightarrow 0$   $|\mu|$ -a.e. and  $|k - g_j| \leq 2 \in L^1(|\mu|)$ , this integral converges to 0 as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ , by the Dominated Convergence theorem. Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , fix then  $j$  such that  $\int |k - g_j| d|\mu| < \epsilon/2$ . For this  $j$ , the second summand in (32) converges to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  (since  $g_j \in C_T$ ). There exists therefore  $n_0$  such that this summand is  $< \epsilon/2$  for all  $n > n_0$ . By (32), we conclude that  $\left| \int e_{-n} d|\mu| \right| < \epsilon$  for all  $n > n_0$ , and (31) is satisfied.

One shows that (31) implies (30) in the same manner.

### Divergence of Fourier series

6. (Notation as in Exercise 1.) Consider the partial sums  $P_n f$  of the Fourier series of  $f \in C_T$ . Let

$$\phi_n(f) := (P_n f)(0) = (s_n * f)(0) \quad (f \in C_T). \quad (32)$$

Prove:

(a) For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\phi_n$  is a bounded linear functional on  $C_T$  with norm  $\|s_n\|_1$  (the  $L^1(m)$ -norm of  $s_n$ ). Hint:  $\|\phi_n\| \leq \|s_n\|_1$  trivially. Consider real functions  $f_j \in C_T$  such that  $\|f_j\|_u \leq 1$  and  $f_j \rightarrow \text{sgn } s_n$  a.e., cf. Exercise 9, Chapter 3. Then  $\phi_n(f_j) \rightarrow \|s_n\|_1$ .

*Solution.*

For all  $f \in C_T$ ,  $|\phi_n(f)| = \left| \int s_n f dm \right| \leq \|f\|_u \|s_n\|_1$ , hence  $\|\phi_n\| \leq \|s_n\|_1$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ .

Since  $\text{sgn}(z) : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a Borel function, the function  $\text{sgn}(s_n)$  (for each fixed  $n$ ) is Borel on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , and has absolute value identically equal to 1. By Exercise 9, Chapter 3, there exist  $f_j \in C_T$  such that  $f_j \rightarrow \text{sgn}(s_n)$   $m$ -a.e. and  $\|f_j\|_u \leq \|\text{sgn}(s_n)\|_u = 1$ . Hence  $\lim_j s_n f_j = |s_n|$  a.e., and  $|s_n f_j| \leq |s_n| \in L^1(m)$ . By the Dominated Convergence theorem,

$$\lim_j \phi_n(f_j) = \lim_j \int s_n f_j dm = \int |s_n| dm = \|s_n\|_1.$$

Since  $\|\phi_n\| \geq |\phi_n(f_j)|$  for all  $j$  (by definition of the functional's norm), it follows that  $\|\phi_n\| \geq \|s_n\|_1$ , and therefore  $\|\phi_n\| = \|s_n\|_1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(b)  $\lim_n \|s_n\|_1 = \infty$ . (Use the fact that the *Dirichlet integral*  $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin t}{t} dt$  does not converge *absolutely*.)

*Details.* Since  $|\sin x| \leq |x|$  on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , we have by Exercise 1(a)

$$\|s_n\|_1 \geq 2 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| \frac{\sin(n+1/2)x}{x} \right| dm = (2/\pi) \int_0^{(n+1/2)\pi} \left| \frac{\sin y}{y} \right| dy \rightarrow \infty$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , because the Dirichlet integral  $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin y}{y} dy$  does not converge absolutely. Hence  $\|s_n\|_1 \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

(c) The subspace

$$Z := \{f \in C_T; \sup_n |\phi_n(f)| < \infty\}$$

is of Baire's first category in the Banach space  $C_T$ . Conclude that the subspace of  $C_T$  consisting of all  $f \in C_T$  with convergent Fourier series at 0 is of Baire's first category in  $C_T$ . (Hint: assume  $Z$  is of Baire's second category in  $C_T$  and apply Theorem 6.4 and Parts (a) and (b).)

*Solution.*

Suppose  $Z$  is of Baire's second category in  $C_T$ . By Theorem 6.4, it follows that  $\sup_n \|\phi_n\| < \infty$ , that is,  $\sup_n \|s_n\|_1 < \infty$  (by Part (a)). This contradicts Part (b). Hence  $Z$  is of Baire's first category in  $C_T$ .

By Exercise 1(d),  $\phi_n(f) := (s_n * f)(0)$  is the  $n$ -th partial sum of the Fourier series of  $f$  at 0. Hence the set  $Z_0$  of all  $f \in C_T$  whose Fourier series converges at 0 is equal to the set  $\{f \in C_T; \lim_n \phi_n(f) \text{ exists}\}$ . Since  $Z_0 \subset Z$ ,  $Z_0$  is of Baire's first category in  $C_T$ .

## Fourier coefficients of $L^1$ functions

7. (Notation as in Exercise 1.)

(a) If  $f \in L^1 := L^1(m)$ , prove that

$$\lim_{|k| \rightarrow \infty} (f, e_k) = 0. \quad (33)$$

Hint: if  $f = e_n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $(f, e_k) = 0$  for all  $k$  such that  $|k| > |n|$ , and (33) is trivial. Hence (33) is true for  $f \in \text{span}\{e_n; n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , and the general case follows by density of this span in  $L^1$ , cf. Exercise 1, Part (d).

(Details. Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $f \in L^1$  be given. By Exercise 1(d), there exists  $g \in \text{span}\{e_n\}$  such that  $\|f - g\|_1 < \epsilon/2$ . Then  $|(f - g, e_k)| \leq \int |f - g| dm < \epsilon/2$ . Since (33) is valid for  $g$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|(g, e_k)| < \epsilon/2$  for  $|k| > n_0$ . Hence for  $|k| > n_0$ ,

$$|(f, e_k)| \leq |(f - g, e_k)| + |(g, e_k)| < \epsilon,$$

which shows that (33) is valid for all  $f \in L^1$ .)

(b) Consider  $\mathbb{Z}$  with the discrete topology (this is a locally compact Hausdorff space!), and let  $c_0 := C_0(\mathbb{Z})$ ; cf. Definition 3.23. Consider the map

$$F : f \in L^1 \rightarrow \{(f, e_k)\} \in c_0.$$

(Cf. Part (a).) Then  $F \in B(L^1, c_0)$  is one-to-one. Hint: if  $(f, e_k) = 0$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $(f, g) = 0$  for all  $g \in \text{span}\{e_k\}$ , hence for all  $g \in C_T$  by Exercise 1(d), hence for  $g = I_E$  for any measurable subset  $E$  of  $[-\pi, \pi]$ ; Cf. Exercise 9, Chapter 3, and Proposition 1.22.

*Solution.*

Suppose  $f \in L^1$  is such that  $(f, e_k) = 0$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By linearity,  $(f, h) = 0$  for all  $h \in \text{span}\{e_k\}$ . If  $g \in C_T$ , we have for any  $h \in \text{span}\{e_k\}$

$$|(f, g)| = |(f, g - h)| \leq \|f\|_1 \|g - h\|_u \rightarrow 0$$

as  $h \rightarrow g$  in  $C_T$  (cf. Exercise 1(d)). Hence  $(f, g) = 0$  for all  $g \in C_T$ .

Let  $E$  be any (Lebesgue) measurable subset of  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . By Exercise 9, Chapter 3, there exist  $g_n \in C_T$  such that  $g_n \rightarrow I_E$  almost everywhere and  $|g_n| \leq 1$ . Then  $f g_n \rightarrow f I_E$  a.e. and  $|f g_n| \leq |f| \in L^1$ . By the Dominated Convergence theorem,  $\int_E f dm = \lim_n \int f g_n dm = 0$ . By Proposition 1.22, it follows that  $f = 0$  a.e.

(c) Prove that the range of  $F$  is of Baire's first category in the Banach space  $c_0$  (in particular,  $F$  is *not onto*). Hint: if the range of  $F$  is of Baire's second category in  $c_0$ ,  $F^{-1}$  (with domain equal to the range of  $F$ ) is continuous, by Theorem 6.9. Therefore there exists  $c > 0$  such that  $\|Ff\|_u \geq c\|f\|_1$  for all  $f \in L^1$ . Get a contradiction by choosing  $f = s_n$ ; cf. Exercise 6(b).

*Solution.*

Suppose the range of  $F$  is of Baire's second category in  $c_0$ . By the Open Mapping theorem (Theorem 6.9), the continuous linear map  $F$  is open, and it is one-to-one by Part (b). It follows that the inverse map  $F^{-1} : \text{range}(F) \rightarrow L^1$  is continuous (and obviously  $\neq 0$ ). Let  $c := \|F^{-1}\|^{-1}$ . Then for all  $f \in L^1$

$$\|Ff\|_u \geq c\|F^{-1}(Ff)\|_1 = c\|f\|_1. \quad (34)$$

Take  $f = s_n$  in (34). Since  $(s_n, e_k) = \sum_{|j| \leq n} \delta_{jk} = 0$  for  $|k| > n$  and  $= 2$  for  $|k| \leq n$ ,  $\|Fs_n\|_u = 2$ , and (34) implies that  $\|s_n\|_1 \leq 2/c$  for all  $n$ , contradicting the fact that  $\|s_n\|_1 \rightarrow \infty$  (cf. Exercise 6(b)).

### Miscellaneous

8. Let  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  be two orthonormal sequences in the Hilbert space  $X$  such that

$$\sum_n \|b_n - a_n\|^2 < 1. \quad (35)$$

Prove that  $\{a_n\}$  is a Hilbert basis for  $X$  iff this is true for  $\{b_n\}$ .

*Solution.*

By the symmetry of Condition (35) with respect to the given orthonormal sequences, it suffices to prove that if  $\{a_n\}$  is a Hilbert basis, the same is true of  $\{b_n\}$ . By Theorem 8.10(1) (and Terminology 8.11), it suffices to prove that  $\{b_n\}^\perp = \{0\}$ .

Suppose  $0 \neq x \in \{b_n\}^\perp$ . Since  $\{a_n\}$  is a Hilbert basis, we have by Bessel's identity, Schwarz' inequality, and Condition (35) (cf. Theorem 8.10(7) and Terminology 8.11)

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\|^2 &= \sum_n |(x, a_n)|^2 = \sum_n |(x, a_n - b_n)|^2 \\ &\leq \left( \sum_n \|a_n - b_n\|^2 \right) \|x\|^2 < \|x\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

contradiction!

9. Let  $\{a_k\}$  be a Hilbert basis for the Hilbert space  $X$ . Define  $T \in B(X)$  by  $Ta_k = a_{k+1}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Prove:

(a)  $T$  is isometric.

(b)  $T^n \rightarrow 0$  in the weak operator topology.

*Solution.*

(a) For any  $x \in X$ , we have  $x = \sum (x, a_k) a_k$  (cf. Theorem 8.10(5) and Terminology 8.11), where the series converges (unconditionally) in  $X$ . Since  $T \in B(X)$ , it follows that

$$Tx = \sum (x, a_k) Ta_k = \sum (x, a_k) a_{k+1}.$$

Hence, by Theorem 8.2(b) and Bessel's identity (cf. Theorem 8.10(7) and Terminology 8.11)

$$\|Tx\|^2 = \sum |(x, a_k)|^2 = \|x\|^2.$$

(b) Since  $T^n a_k = a_{k+n}$ , the preceding argument shows that

$$T^n x = \sum_k (x, a_k) a_{k+n},$$

and therefore, by continuity of the inner product,

$$(T^n x, y) = \sum_k (x, a_k) (a_{k+n}, y) \quad (x, y \in X).$$

By Schwarz' inequality in  $l^2$  and Bessel's identity for the Hilbert basis  $\{a_k\}$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |(T^n x, y)| &\leq \left( \sum_k |(x, a_k)|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left( \sum_k |(a_{k+n}, y)|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \|x\| \left( \sum_{j>n} |(y, a_j)|^2 \right)^{1/2} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , since  $\sum_k |(y, a_j)|^2 (= \|y\|^2)$  converges. This proves that  $T^n \rightarrow 0$  in the weak operator topology. (However  $T^n$  does *not* converge to 0 in the s.o.t., because for any  $x \neq 0$ ,  $\lim_n \|T^n x\| = \lim_n \|x\| = \|x\| \neq 0$ , by Part (a).)

10. If  $\{a_n\}$  is an orthonormal (infinite) sequence in an inner product space, then  $a_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly (however  $\{a_n\}$  has no strongly convergent subsequence, because  $\|a_n - a_m\|^2 = 2$ ; this shows in particular that the closed unit ball of an infinite dimensional Hilbert space is not strongly compact.)

(*Details.* By Bessel's inequality (Lemma 8.3),  $\sum |(a_n, x)|^2 \leq \|x\|^2 < \infty$  for all  $x$  in the i.p.s.  $X$ . In particular,  $(a_n, x) \rightarrow 0$  for all  $x$ , that is,  $a_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly. Since  $a_n \perp (-a_m)$  for  $n \neq m$ , we have (cf. Lemma 8.1)  $\|a_n - a_m\|^2 = \|a_n\|^2 + \|a_m\|^2 = 2$ .)

11. Let  $\{x_\alpha\}$  be a net in the inner product space  $X$ . Then  $x_\alpha \rightarrow x \in X$  strongly iff  $x_\alpha \rightarrow x$  weakly and  $\|x_\alpha\| \rightarrow \|x\|$ .

*Solution.*

The "only if" statement follows from the continuity of the inner product and the norm on  $X$ . The "if" statement is a consequence of the identity (7) following Definition 1.34:

$$\|x_\alpha - x\|^2 = \|x_\alpha\|^2 - 2\Re(x_\alpha, x) + \|x\|^2 \rightarrow \|x\|^2 - 2\Re(x, x) + \|x\|^2 = 0.$$

12. Let  $A$  be an orthonormal basis for the Hilbert space  $X$ . Prove:

(a) If  $f : A \rightarrow X$  is any map such that  $(f(a), a) = 0$  for all  $a \in A$ , then it does not necessarily follow that  $f = 0$  (the zero map on  $A$ ).

(b) If  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is linear and  $(Tx, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ , then  $T = 0$  (the zero operator).

(c) If  $S, T : X \rightarrow X$  are linear and  $(Sx, x) = (Tx, x)$  for all  $x \in X$ , then  $S = T$ .

*Solution.*

(a) Suppose there are at least two distinct elements  $a_1, a_2 \in A$ . Let  $f$  be defined by  $f(a_1) = a_2$ ;  $f(a_2) = a_1$ ; and  $f(a) = 0$  for all  $a \in A$ ,  $a \neq a_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ . Then  $(f(a_1), a_1) = (a_2, a_1) = 0$ ;  $(f(a_2), a_2) = (a_1, a_2) = 0$ ; and  $(f(a), a) = (0, a) = 0$  for all  $a \neq a_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ . Thus  $(f(a), a) = 0$  for all  $a \in A$ , but  $f$  is not the zero map (because  $\|f(a_1)\| = \|a_2\| = 1$ ).

(b) For all  $x, y \in X$ , we have

$$0 = (T(x+y), x+y) = (Tx, x) + (Tx, y) + (Ty, x) + (Ty, y) = (Tx, y) + (Ty, x). \quad (36)$$

Replacing  $y$  by  $iy$  in (36), we obtain  $0 = -i(Tx, y) + i(Ty, x)$ , that is  $(Ty, x) = (Tx, y)$ , and we conclude from (36) that  $(Tx, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Taking in particular  $y = Tx$ , we get  $\|Tx\|^2 = 0$  for all  $x$ , that is,  $T = 0$ .

(c) follows by applying Part (b) to the map  $S - T$ .

13. Let  $X$  be a Hilbert space, and let  $\mathcal{N}$  be the set of normal operators in  $B(X)$ . Prove that the adjoint operation  $T \rightarrow T^*$  is continuous on  $\mathcal{N}$  in the s.o.t.

*Solution.*

Note that  $T \in \mathcal{N}$  iff  $\|T^*x\| = \|Tx\|$  for all  $x \in X$  (indeed, this identity is equivalent to the identity  $(T^*x, T^*x) = (Tx, Tx)$ , that is, to  $(TT^*x, x) = (T^*Tx, x)$ ; cf. Exercise 12(c)).

If  $S, T \in \mathcal{N}$ , then for all  $x \in X$ ,

$$\|T^*x - S^*x\|^2 = \|T^*x\|^2 - 2\Re(T^*x, S^*x) + \|S^*x\|^2 = \|Tx\|^2 - 2\Re(S(T^*x), x) + \|Sx\|^2.$$

When  $S \rightarrow T$  in the s.o.t., the third summand converges to  $\|Tx\|^2$  and  $S(T^*x) \rightarrow T(T^*x) = T^*Tx$ , so that the second summand above converges to  $-2\Re(Tx, Tx) = -2\|Tx\|^2$ , and consequently  $\|(T^* - S^*)x\| \rightarrow 0$  for all  $x$ , i.e.,  $S^* \rightarrow T^*$  in the s.o.t.

14. Let  $X$  be a Hilbert space, and  $T \in B(X)$ . Denote by  $P(T)$  and  $Q(T)$  the orthogonal projections onto the closed subspaces  $\ker T$  and  $\overline{TX}$ , respectively. Prove:

(a) The complementary orthogonal projections of  $P(T)$  and  $Q(T)$  are  $Q(T^*)$  and  $P(T^*)$ , respectively.

*Solution.*

By continuity of the inner product,  $x \in (\overline{TX})^\perp$  iff  $(x, Ty) = 0$  for all  $y \in X$ . This is in turn equivalent to the identity  $(T^*x, y) = 0$  for all  $y$ , that is, to  $T^*x = 0$ . Hence

$$(\overline{TX})^\perp = \ker T^*. \quad (37)$$

By the Orthogonal Decomposition theorem (Theorem 1.36) and (37),

$$X = \overline{TX} \oplus \ker T^*. \quad (38)$$

By (38), the complementary orthogonal projection of  $Q(T)$  is  $P(T^*)$ . Applying this to  $T^*$  instead of  $T$ , we conclude that the complementary orthogonal projection of  $P(T)$  ( $= P(T^{**})$  by Exercise 13(a), Chapter 6) is  $Q(T^*)$ .

(b)  $P(T^*T) = P(T)$  and  $Q(T^*T) = Q(T^*)$ .

*Solution.*

If  $x \in \ker(T^*T)$  then  $\|Tx\|^2 = (Tx, Tx) = (T^*Tx, x) = 0$ , i.e.,  $x \in \ker T$ , and trivially  $\ker T \subset \ker(T^*T)$ . Hence  $\ker(T^*T) = \ker T$ , that is,  $P(T^*T) = P(T)$ . Then, by Part (a),  $Q(T^*T)$  has the complementary orthogonal projection  $P((T^*T)^*) = P(T^*T) = P(T)$  (cf. Exercise 13(a,b), Chapter 6), and the latter is also the complementary orthogonal projection of  $Q(T^*)$ . Hence  $Q(T^*T) = Q(T^*)$ .

15. For any (non-empty) set  $A$ , denote by  $\mathbb{B}(A)$  the  $B^*$ -algebra of all bounded complex functions on  $A$  with pointwise operations, the involution  $f \rightarrow \bar{f}$  (complex conjugation), and the supremum norm  $\|f\|_u = \sup_A |f|$ .

Let  $A$  be an orthonormal basis of the Hilbert space  $X$ . For each  $f \in \mathbb{B}(A)$  and  $x \in X$ , let

$$T_f x = \sum_{a \in A} f(a)(x, a)a. \quad (39)$$

Prove:

(a) The map  $f \rightarrow T_f$  is an isometric  $*$ -isomorphism of the  $B^*$ -algebra  $\mathbb{B}(A)$  into  $B(X)$ . (In particular,  $T_f$  is a normal operator.)

(b)  $T_f$  is selfadjoint (positive, unitary) iff  $f$  is real-valued ( $f \geq 0$ ,  $|f| = 1$ , respectively).

*Solution.*

(a) The series in (39) converges (unconditionally) in  $X$  for each  $x \in X$  and  $f \in \mathbb{B}(A)$ , because (cf. Theorems 8.2(a) and 8.10 (7))

$$\sum_{a \in A} |f(a)(x, a)|^2 \leq \|f\|_u^2 \sum_{a \in A} |(x, a)|^2 = \|f\|_u^2 \|x\|^2 < \infty. \quad (40)$$

Thus  $T_f x$  is well-defined for each  $x \in X$  and  $f \in \mathbb{B}(A)$ . The linearity of  $T_f$  on  $X$  is now trivial, and by (40) and Theorem 8.2(b),  $\|T_f\| \leq \|f\|_u$ . Hence  $T_f \in B(X)$ . Since  $T_f a = f(a)a$  for each  $a \in A$ , we have  $\|T_f\| \geq \|T_f a\| = |f(a)|$  for all  $a \in A$ , i.e.,  $\|T_f\| \geq \|f\|_u$ , and we conclude that  $\|T_f\| = \|f\|_u$  for each  $f \in \mathbb{B}(A)$ . The map  $f \rightarrow T_f$  is trivially linear; it is therefore a linear isometry of  $\mathbb{B}(A)$  into  $B(X)$ . For each  $a \in A$  and  $f, g \in \mathbb{B}(A)$ ,  $T_{fg} a = (fg)(a)a = f(a)g(a)a$  and  $T_f T_g a = T_f g(a)a = g(a)T_f a = g(a)f(a)a$ . Thus  $T_{fg} = T_f T_g$  on  $A$ , and therefore, by linearity and continuity of the operators and the density of  $\text{span}A$  in  $X$  (cf. Theorem 8.10(3) and Terminology 8.11), the last identity is valid on  $X$ .

Let  $f \in \mathbb{B}(A)$  and fix  $a \in A$ . For all  $b \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (b, T_f^* a) &= (T_f b, a) = f(b)(b, a) = f(b)\delta_{a,b} = f(a)\delta_{a,b} \\ &= f(a)(b, a) = (b, \overline{f(a)}a) = (b, T_{\overline{f}} a), \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $(T_f^* - T_{\overline{f}})a \in A^\perp$ , and therefore  $(T_f^* - T_{\overline{f}})a = 0$  (cf. Theorem 8.10(1) and Terminology 8.11). By linearity and continuity of the operators, and the density of  $\text{span}A$  in  $X$  (cf. Theorem 8.10(3)), we conclude that  $T_f^* = T_{\overline{f}}$ . Collecting, we proved that the map  $f \rightarrow T_f$  is an isometric  $*$ -isomorphism of the  $B^*$ -algebra  $\mathbb{B}(A)$  into  $B(X)$ .

(b) By Part (a),  $T_f$  is selfadjoint iff  $T_f = T_{\overline{f}}$ , and since the map  $f \rightarrow T_f$  is one-to-one, this is equivalent to  $f = \overline{f}$ .

$T_f$  is positive iff  $(T_f x, x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in X$  (cf. Theorem 7.23(iii)). In particular, if  $T_f$  is positive, then for all  $a \in A$ ,  $f(a) = (f(a)a, a) = (T_f a, a) \geq 0$ . Conversely, if  $f \geq 0$ , then for all  $x \in X$ ,

$$(T_f x, x) = \left( \sum_a f(a)(x, a)a, x \right) = \sum_a f(a)(x, a)(a, x) = \sum_a f(a)|(x, a)|^2 \geq 0.$$

$T_f$  is unitary iff  $T_f T_{\overline{f}} = I$ , that is, iff  $T_{|f|^2} = I$ . This is equivalent to  $T_{|f|^2} a = a$  for all  $a \in A$  (by linearity and continuity of the operators, and density of  $\text{span}A$  in  $X$ ), i.e., to  $|f(a)| = 1$  for all  $a \in A$ .

16. Let  $(S, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be a  $\sigma$ -finite positive measure space. Consider  $L^\infty(\mu)$  as a  $B^*$ -algebra with pointwise multiplication and complex conjugation as involution. Let  $p \in [1, \infty)$ . For each  $f \in L^\infty(\mu)$  define

$$T_f g = fg \quad (g \in L^p(\mu)).$$

Prove:

(a) The map  $f \rightarrow T_f$  is an isometric isomorphism of  $L^\infty(\mu)$  into  $B(L^p(\mu))$ ; in case  $p = 2$ , the map is an isometric  $*$ -isomorphism of  $L^\infty(\mu)$  onto a commutative  $B^*$ -algebra of (normal) operators on  $L^2(\mu)$ .

*Solution.*

Let  $p \in [1, \infty)$  and  $f \in L^\infty := L^\infty(\mu)$ . For all  $g \in L^p := L^p(\mu)$ ,  $|T_f g| = |f| |g| \leq \|f\|_\infty |g|$  a.e., hence

$$\|T_f g\|_p \leq \|f\|_\infty \|g\|_p,$$

that is,  $\|T_f\| \leq \|f\|_\infty$ . Suppose  $\|T_f\| < \|f\|_\infty$ . Pick  $c$  such that  $\|T_f\| < c < \|f\|_\infty$ . Then  $\mu(|f| > c) > 0$ . Since the measure space is  $\sigma$ -finite, there exist  $X_k \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $\mu(X_k) < \infty$  and  $X = \bigcup_k X_k$ . Let  $E_k = [|f| > c] \cap X_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ . Since  $\sum_k \mu(E_k) = \mu(|f| > c) > 0$ , there exists  $k$  (which we fix from now on) such that  $\mu(E_k) > 0$  (and of course  $\mu(E_k) < \infty$ ). Let  $g = I_{E_k}$ . Then  $g \in L^p$  (with  $\|g\|_p = \mu(E_k)^{1/p}$ ) and

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_f\| \mu(E_k)^{1/p} &= \|T_f\| \|g\|_p \geq \|T_f g\|_p \\ &= \left( \int_{E_k} |f|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \geq c \mu(E_k)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mu(E_k) > 0$ , we get the contradiction  $\|T_f\| \geq c$ . Hence  $\|T_f\| = \|f\|_\infty$ .

The map  $f \in L^\infty \rightarrow T_f \in B(L^p)$  is clearly linear and multiplicative. Since it is norm-preserving, we conclude that it is an isometric isomorphism of  $L^\infty$  into  $B(L^p)$ .

In case  $p = 2$ , we have for all  $g, h \in L^2$

$$\begin{aligned} (T_f g, h) &= (fg, h) = \int (fg) \bar{h} d\mu = \int g \overline{f h} d\mu \\ &= (g, \overline{f h}) = (g, T_{\overline{f}} h). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $(T_f)^* = T_{\overline{f}}$ . We conclude that the map  $f \rightarrow T_f$  is an isometric  $*$ -isomorphism of the  $B^*$ -algebra  $L^\infty$  into  $B(L^2)$ ; its range is necessarily a commutative  $B^*$ -subalgebra of  $B(L^2)$  (and consists necessarily of normal operators).

(b) (Case  $p = 2$ .)  $T_f$  is selfadjoint (positive, unitary) iff  $f$  is real-valued ( $f \geq 0$ ,  $|f| = 1$ , respectively) almost everywhere.

*Solution.*

Since the map  $f \rightarrow T_f$  is a \*-isomorphism of  $L^\infty$  (with complex conjugation as its involution) into  $B(L^2)$ ,  $T_f$  is selfadjoint iff  $f = \bar{f}$  (as elements of  $L^\infty$ , that is, iff  $f$  is real almost everywhere. Similarly, the normal operator  $T_f$  is unitary (i.e.,  $T_f T_f^* = I$ ) iff  $|f|^2 = 1$  a.e.

By Theorem 7.23(iii),  $T_f$  is positive iff  $(T_f g, g) \geq 0$  for all  $g \in L^2$ , that is, iff  $\int f|g|^2 d\mu \geq 0$  for all  $g \in L^2$ . By the averages lemma (Lemma 1.38), this is equivalent to  $f|g|^2 \geq 0$  a.e. for all  $g \in L^2$ . With notation as in Part (a), take  $g = I_{X_k}$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots$ ) to conclude that the last inequality is equivalent to  $f \geq 0$  a.e.

17. Let  $X$  be a Hilbert space. Show that multiplication in  $B(X)$  is *not* (jointly) continuous in the w.o.t., even on the norm-closed unit ball  $B(X)_1$  of  $B(X)$  in the relative w.o.t.; however it is continuous on  $B(X)_1$  in the relative s.o.t.

*Solution.*

Let  $X$ ,  $\{a_k\}$ , and  $T$  be as in Exercise 9. Then, for any  $x \in X$ ,  $T^n x = \sum_k (x, a_k) a_{k+n}$ . By Exercise 9(b),  $T^n \rightarrow 0$  in the w.o.t. Set  $a_k = 0$  for  $k \leq 0$ , and define  $S \in B(X)$  by  $S a_k = a_{k-1}$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then for all  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$S^n x = \sum_{k>n} (x, a_k) a_{k-n}. \quad (41)$$

Hence for all  $x$  (cf. Theorem 8.2(b))

$$\|S^n x\|^2 = \sum_{k>n} |(x, a_k)|^2 \rightarrow 0 \quad (42)$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , since  $\sum_k |(x, a_k)|^2$  converges (to  $\|x\|^2$ , by Bessel's identity). Thus  $S^n \rightarrow 0$  in the s.o.t. (hence in the w.o.t.). However  $S^n T^n a_k = a_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , hence  $S^n T^n = I$  do not converge to 0 in the w.o.t. This example shows that multiplication in  $B(X)$  is *not* continuous in general with respect to the weak operator topology. This is so even on  $B(X)_1$ , in the relative w.o.t. Indeed, since  $T$  is an isometry by Exercise 9(a),  $\|T^n\| = 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Also by (42) and Bessel's inequality,  $\|S^n x\| \leq \|x\|$  for all  $x$ , hence  $\|S^n\| \leq 1$ . Thus the sequences  $\{S^n\}$  and  $\{T^n\}$  are in  $B(X)_1$ , both converge to 0 in the w.o.t., but  $\{S^n T^n\}$  does not.

However, with respect to the relative s.o.t., multiplication is continuous on  $B(X)_1$  for any Banach space  $X$ . Indeed, if  $\{T_\alpha\}$  and  $\{S_\alpha\}$  are nets in  $B(X)_1$  converging to  $T$  and  $S$  respectively in the s.o.t., then for all  $x \in X$

$$\|S_\alpha T_\alpha - ST\| \leq \|S_\alpha\| \|(T_\alpha - T)x\| + \|(S_\alpha - S)(Tx)\| \rightarrow 0,$$

since  $\|S_\alpha\| \leq 1$ .

18. (Notation as in Exercise 17.) Prove that  $B(X)_1$  is compact in the w.o.t. but *not* in the s.o.t.

*Solution.*

The compactness of  $B(X)_1$  in the w.o.t. is proved in the same manner as Alaoglu's theorem (Theorem 5.24). For each  $[x, y] \in X \times X$ , let

$$\Delta[x, y] = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}; |\lambda| \leq \|x\| \|y\|\},$$

and

$$\Delta = \prod_{[x, y] \in X \times X} \Delta[x, y]$$

with the Cartesian product topology. By Tychonoff's theorem,  $\Delta$  is compact.

If  $T \in B(X)_1$ , then for all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $|(Tx, y)| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$ , i.e.,  $(Tx, y) \in \Delta(x, y)$ . Thus the map

$$\beta(T) : [x, y] \in X \times X \rightarrow (Tx, y)$$

belongs to  $\Delta$ . This shows that  $\beta(B(X)_1) \subset \Delta$ . Let  $\{T_\alpha\}$  be a net in  $B(X)_1$  such that  $\beta(T_\alpha)$  converge in the  $\Delta$ -topology to some  $F \in \Delta$ . This means that  $(T_\alpha x, y) \rightarrow F(x, y)$  for all  $[x, y] \in X \times X$ . One verifies in a routine way that  $F$  is linear in the first variable, conjugate-linear in the second, and  $|F(x, y)| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Therefore, for each fixed  $x \in X$ ,  $F(x, \cdot)$  is a continuous conjugate-linear functional on  $X$ . By the "little" Riesz representation theorem (Theorem 1.37 in a conjugate-linear version), there exists a unique vector  $Tx \in X$  such that  $F(x, y) = (Tx, y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . The linearity of  $F(\cdot, y)$  for all  $y$  implies the linearity of  $T$ , and  $\|T\| = \sup_{\|x\|=\|y\|=1} |F(x, y)| \leq 1$ , that is,  $T \in B(X)_1$ , and by definition,  $\beta(T) = F$ . This shows that  $\beta(B(X)_1)$  is a *closed* subset of  $\Delta$ , and is therefore compact in the  $\Delta$ -topology. Equivalently,  $B(X)_1$  is compact in the w.o.t.

The following example shows that in general  $B(X)_1$  is not compact in the s.o.t. Let  $T$  be as in Exercise 9. By Exercise 9(a),  $T$  is isometric, and therefore  $\|T^n\| = 1$  for all  $n$ , i.e.,  $\{T^n\} \subset B(X)_1$ . Since  $T^n a_1 = a_{1+n}$ , we have for all  $n > m$

$$\|T^n a_1 - T^m a_1\|^2 = \|a_{1+n} - a_{1+m}\|^2 = \|a_{1+n}\|^2 + \|a_{1+m}\|^2 = 2,$$

and therefore  $\{T^n\}$  has no subsequence converging in the s.o.t.

19. Let  $X, Y$  be Hilbert spaces, and  $T \in B(X, Y)$ . Imitate the definition of the Hilbert adjoint of an operator in  $B(X)$  to define the (Hilbert) adjoint  $T^* \in B(Y, X)$ . Observe that  $T^*T$  is a positive operator in  $B(X)$ . Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be an orthonormal basis for  $X$

and let  $Vx = \{(x, a_n)\}$ . We know that  $V$  is a Hilbert space isomorphism of  $X$  onto  $l^2$ . What are  $V^*$ ,  $V^{-1}$ , and  $V^*V$ ?

*Solution.*

Given  $y \in Y$ , the map  $x \in X \rightarrow (Tx, y)$  is a continuous linear functional on  $X$ . By the "little" Riesz representation theorem (Theorem 1.37), there exists a unique vector in  $X$ , which we denote by  $T^*y$ , such that  $(Tx, y) = (x, T^*y)$  for all  $x \in X$  (and  $y \in Y$ ). The conjugate linearity of the left hand side of this identity with respect to  $y \in Y$  and the uniqueness of the Riesz representation imply that  $T^*$  is linear on  $Y$ , and

$$\|T^*\| = \sup_{\|x\|=\|y\|=1} |(x, T^*y)| = \sup_{\dots} |(Tx, y)| = \|T\|.$$

Thus  $T^* \in B(Y, X)$ . It follows that  $T^*T \in B(X)$  and  $(x, T^*Tx) = (Tx, Tx) \geq 0$  for all  $x$ , that is,  $T^*T$  is a positive operator (cf. Theorem 7.23).

Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a Hilbert basis for the Hilbert space  $X$ . Consider the Hilbert space isomorphism  $V \in B(X, l^2)$  defined by  $Vx = \{(x, a_n)\}$  (cf. Theorem 8.10(7)). If  $\Lambda_n$  denotes the sequence whose  $n$ -th component equals 1 and all other components vanish, then clearly  $Va_n = \Lambda_n$ .

For all  $x \in X$  and  $\Lambda := \{\lambda_n\} \in l^2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (x, V^*\Lambda) &= (Vx, \Lambda)_{l^2} = (\{(x, a_n)\}, \{\lambda_n\})_{l^2} \\ &= \sum (x, a_n)\overline{\lambda_n} = (x, \sum \lambda_n a_n), \end{aligned}$$

where the last sum converges unconditionally in  $X$  (cf. Theorem 8.2(b)). Hence

$$V^*\Lambda = \sum \lambda_n a_n \quad (\Lambda \in l^2). \quad (43)$$

By (43) and Theorem 8.10(5), we have for all  $x \in X$

$$V^*Vx = V^*\{(x, a_n)\} = \sum (x, a_n)a_n = x. \quad (44)$$

Also for all  $\Lambda \in l^2$ ,

$$VV^*\Lambda = V(\sum \lambda_n a_n) = \sum \lambda_n Va_n = \sum \lambda_n \Lambda_n = \Lambda. \quad (45)$$

Thus

$$V^*V = I_X \quad \text{and} \quad V^*V = I_{l^2}, \quad (46)$$

the respective identity operators on  $X$  and  $l^2$ . Thus  $V^{-1} = V^*$ .

20. Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be an orthonormal basis for the Hilbert space  $X$ , and let  $Q \in B(X)$  be invertible in  $B(X)$ . Let  $b_n = Qa_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Prove that there exist positive constants  $A, B$  such that

$$A \sum |\lambda_k|^2 \leq \left\| \sum \lambda_k b_k \right\|^2 \leq B \sum |\lambda_k|^2 \quad (47)$$

for all finite sets of scalars  $\lambda_k$ .

*Solution.*

We have

$$\left\| \sum \lambda_k b_k \right\|^2 = \left\| Q \left( \sum \lambda_k a_k \right) \right\|^2 \leq \|Q\|^2 \sum |\lambda_k|^2$$

and

$$\sum |\lambda_k|^2 = \left\| \sum \lambda_k a_k \right\|^2 = \left\| \sum \lambda_k Q^{-1} b_k \right\|^2 = \|Q^{-1}\|^2 \left\| \sum \lambda_k b_k \right\|^2.$$

Hence (47) is valid with  $B = \|Q\|^2$  and  $A = \|Q^{-1}\|^{-2}$ .

21. Let  $X$  be a Hilbert space. A sequence  $\{a_n\} \subset X$  is *upper (lower) Bessel* if there exists a positive constant  $B$  ( $A$ ) such that

$$\sum |(x, a_n)|^2 \leq B \|x\|^2 \quad (\geq A \|x\|^2, \text{ respectively}) \quad (48)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . The sequence is *two-sided Bessel* if it is both upper and lower Bessel (for example, an orthonormal sequence is upper Bessel with  $B = 1$ , and is two-sided Bessel with  $A = B = 1$  iff it is an orthonormal basis for  $X$ ).

(a) Let  $\{a_n\}$  be an upper Bessel sequence in  $X$ , and define  $V$  as in Exercise 19. Then  $V \in B(X, l^2)$  and  $\|V\| \leq B^{1/2}$ . On the other hand, for any  $\{\lambda_n\} \in l^2$ , the series  $\sum \lambda_n a_n$  converges in  $X$  and its sum equals  $V^* \{\lambda_n\}$ . The operator  $S := V^*V \in B(X)$  is a positive operator with norm  $\leq B$ .

*Solution.*

For all  $x \in X$ , we have by (48)

$$\|Vx\|_{l^2}^2 = \sum |(x, a_n)|^2 \leq B \|x\|^2,$$

hence  $\|V\| \leq B^{1/2}$ .

Given  $\Lambda := \{\lambda_n\} \in l^2$ , we have for all  $x \in X$  and all integers  $p \geq m \geq 1$ ,

$$\left| \left( \sum_{n=m}^p \lambda_n a_n, x \right) \right| = \left| \sum_{n=m}^p \lambda_n (a_n, x) \right| \leq \left( \sum_{n=m}^p |\lambda_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left( \sum_{n=m}^p |(x, a_n)|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\leq \left( \sum_{n=m}^p |\lambda_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} B^{1/2} \|x\|, \quad (49)$$

where we used Schwarz' inequality for finite dimensional Hilbert space and (48). Taking the supremum over all  $x$  with  $\|x\| = 1$ , we get

$$\left\| \sum_{n=m}^p \lambda_n a_n \right\| \leq B^{1/2} \left( \sum_{n=m}^p |\lambda_n|^2 \right)^{1/2}. \quad (50)$$

Since  $\Lambda \in l^2$ , it follows from (50) that the series  $\sum \lambda_n a_n$  converges in  $X$ . Denote its sum by  $T\Lambda$ . This defines an obviously linear map  $T : l^2 \rightarrow X$ . Taking  $m = 1$  and letting  $p \rightarrow \infty$  in (50), we get

$$\|T\Lambda\| \leq B^{1/2} \|\Lambda\|_{l^2}. \quad (51)$$

Hence  $T \in B(l^2, X)$  and  $\|T\| \leq B^{1/2}$ . Furthermore, for all  $x \in X$  and  $\Lambda \in l^2$ ,

$$(x, T\Lambda) = \left( x, \sum \lambda_n a_n \right) = \sum (x, a_n) \overline{\lambda_n} = (Vx, \Lambda)_{l^2} = (x, V^* \Lambda),$$

by definition of the adjoint  $V^*$  (cf. Exercise 19). Hence  $V^* = T$ . The operator  $S := V^*V \in B(X)$  (with norm  $\leq \|V^*\| \|V\| \leq B$ , by the preceding estimates) is positive, since for all  $x \in X$ ,  $(Sx, x) = (Vx, Vx)_{l^2} \geq 0$  (cf. Theorem 7.23(iii)).

(b) If  $\{a_n\}$  is two-sided Bessel,  $S - AI$  is positive, and therefore  $\sigma(S) \subset [A, B]$ . In particular,  $S$  is *onto*. Conclude that every  $x \in X$  can be represented as  $x = \sum (x, S^{-1}a_n) a_n$  (convergent in  $X$ ).

*Solution.*

Dy definition,

$$Sx = \sum (x, a_n) a_n \quad (x \in X), \quad (52)$$

where the series converges in  $X$ . Therefore, if  $\{a_n\}$  is two-sided Bessel, then for all  $x \in X$

$$((S - AI)x, x) = \sum |(x, a_n)|^2 - A \|x\|^2 \geq 0,$$

that is,  $S - AI$  is positive. Equivalently,  $\sigma(S) - A \subset [0, \infty)$ , i.e.,  $\sigma(S) \subset [A, \infty)$ . But  $\sigma(S) \subset [-B, B]$  since  $\|S\| \leq B$ . Therefore  $\sigma(S) \subset [A, B]$ . In particular  $0 \in \rho(S)$ . Hence, by (52), we have the following series representation (converging in  $X$ )

$$x = S(S^{-1}x) = \sum (S^{-1}x, a_n) a_n = \sum (x, S^{-1}a_n) a_n, \quad (x \in X)$$

since  $S := V^*V$  (and therefore  $S^{-1}$ ) is selfadjoint.