

FUNCTION SPACES¹

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1. **Introduction.** What I shall say is directed towards the explicit description and study of individual functionals and operators. I first consider the function spaces $C_n^m(D)$, B , K , Z (defined below) and their adjoints. Then I consider the factorization of operators.

If X is a normed linear space, its *adjoint*, or conjugate, or dual, X^* , is defined as the space of linear continuous functionals on X , with norm

$$\|F\| = \sup_{x \in X; \|x\|=1} |Fx|, \quad F \in X^*.$$

The space X^* is determined by X . For some X , our knowledge of X^* is complete and useful. This is the case if X is a Hilbert space, or an L^p -space, $p \geq 1$, or the space $C_0(D)$ of continuous functions on a compact domain D [2, Chapter 4]. For some X , as we shall see, our knowledge of X^* is incomplete.

Definitive theorems about the spaces $C_n(I)^*$, B^* , K^* , and Z^* are given in §2 and §4. These theorems provide accessible standard forms for Fx , $x \in X$, and explicit procedures for calculating $\|F\|$, where $F \in X^*$ and X is $C_n(I)$, B , or Z . Theorem 6 provides an accessible form, free of Stieltjes integrals, for Fx , $x \in B$, where $F \in K^*$.

The theorems of §3 about $C_n^m(D)^*$ appear to be new. Theorem 2 asserts the existence of a standard form for Fx , $x \in C_n^m(D)$, where $F \in C_n^m(D)^*$. Theorems 3 and 4 describe the functional 0 as an element of $C_1^m(I)^*$ and $C_2^2(I)^*$.

Just as X determines X^* , so a pair X, Y of normed linear spaces determines the space $\mathfrak{J}(X, Y)$ of linear continuous operators on X to Y . If we wish to study an operator $T_0 \in \mathfrak{J}(X, Y)$, the properties of T_0 common to all elements of $\mathfrak{J}(X, Y)$ may be insufficient to provide an accessible form for T_0x , $x \in X$. It is often useful to study T_0 as an individual and, if possible, to write T_0 as a product of linear continuous operators. Such factorizations and their use in the theory of approximation are considered in §5.

Theorem 10 is a dual of Fubini's theorem.

2. **The space $C_n(I)$.** Let I be a compact linear interval and n a nonnegative integer. The space $C_n(I)$ consists of functions on I which

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are continuous together with their derivatives of order $\leq n$, with norm either

$$|||x||| = \max_{i=0, \dots, n} \sup_{s \in I} |x_i(s)|, \quad x \in C_n(I),$$

or

$$\|x\| = \max[|x(a)|, |x_1(a)|, \dots, |x_{n-1}(a)|, \sup_{s \in I} |x_n(s)|];$$

where subscripts indicate derivatives and a is an arbitrary fixed element of I . The double and triple norms $\|x\|$ and $|||x|||$ are equivalent: either one is majorized by a constant times the other, as is clear from the Taylor formulas for $x_i(s)$, $s \in I$, $i < n$, in terms of $x(a)$, \dots , $x_{n-1}(a)$, and $x_n(s)$, $s \in I$.

A functional $F \in C_n(I)^*$ has norms $\|F\|$ and $|||F|||$ relative to the double and triple norm in $C_n(I)$, respectively. The norms $\|F\|$ and $|||F|||$ are equivalent. One advantage of $\|F\|$ is that it is given explicitly in the next theorem, for an arbitrary $F \in C_n(I)^*$, whereas the calculation of $|||F|||$ may be awkward.

If f is a function of bounded variation on I , we agree to extend its definition as follows:

$$f(s) = \begin{cases} f(\alpha) & \text{if } s \leq \alpha, \\ f(\bar{\alpha}) & \text{if } s \geq \bar{\alpha}, \end{cases}$$

where $I = \{s: \alpha \leq s \leq \bar{\alpha}\}$. We say that f is a *normalized* function of bounded variation if f is of bounded variation and $f(\alpha) = 0$, $f(s+0) = f(s)$ whenever $s \neq \alpha$. Thus a normalized function of bounded variation on I vanishes on the lower boundary of I and is continuous from above except possibly on the lower boundary.

THEOREM 1. *Suppose that $F \in C_n(I)^*$. Take $a \in I$. Then unique constants c^0, c^1, \dots, c^{n-1} and a unique normalized function λ of bounded variation exist such that*

$$Fx = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} c^i x_i(a) + \int_I x_n(s) d\lambda(s) \quad \text{for all } x \in C_n(I).$$

Furthermore,

$$ic^i = F[(s - a)^i],$$

$$\lambda(t) = \begin{cases} \lim_{\nu=1,2,\dots} FT_s^\nu \theta^\nu(t, s) & \text{if } t > \alpha, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\|F\| = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} |c^i| + \text{var } \lambda.$$

Here the i attached to $(s-a)$ is an exponent; T_s is the Taylor operator of taking the indefinite integral which vanishes at $s=a$:

$$T_s z(s) = \int_a^s z(\bar{s}) d\bar{s};$$

T_s^n is the n -fold iteration of T_s , which may be expressed as a single integral [5, p. 152]; $\{\theta^\nu: \nu=1, 2, \dots\}$ is a monotone sequence of continuous functions whose limit is the Heaviside function θ :

$$(1) \quad \theta(t, s) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < s, \\ 1 & \text{if } s \leq t, \end{cases}$$

and $\text{var } \lambda$ is the variation of λ . In the equation for $\lambda(t)$, F operates on its argument as a function of s . The theorem asserts that the limit in the above definition of λ exists.

If $n=0$, Theorem 1 reduces to Riesz's theorem on $C_0(I)^*$. If $n>0$, Theorem 1 is an immediate consequence of Riesz's theorem. All details are given in [5, pp. 139, 154].

3. The space $C_n^m(D)$. There are many generalizations of $C_n(I)$. One is the space $C_n^m(D)$ defined as follows. Let D be a subset of Euclidean m -space \mathbb{R}^m . A function x on D to \mathbb{R} is an element of $C_n^m(D)$ if and only if there exists a function y on an open set $\Omega \supset D$ which is an extension of x and which has continuous n th partial derivatives on Ω . The open set Ω may depend on x . The partial derivatives of x are defined as those of one such extension y [6].

We define the triple norm $\| \| \|x\| \|$ in $C_n^m(D)$ as

$$\| \| \|x\| \| = \max_{\sigma(h) \leq n} \sup_{(s) \in D} |x_{(h)}(s)|, \quad x \in C_n^m(D),$$

where

$$(s) = (s_1, \dots, s_m), \quad (h) = (h_1, \dots, h_m), \quad \sigma(h) = h_1 + \dots + h_m.$$

The indices h_1, \dots, h_m are nonnegative integers, and the compound subscript (h) indicates a partial derivative.

If D is compact, which we shall always assume, then $\| \| \|x\| \|$ is finite whenever $x \in C_n^m(D)$.

Let us say that a set D is *boundedly connected* if any two points of D may be joined by a rectifiable curve contained in D , of uniformly bounded length.

Suppose that D is compact and boundedly connected, and that

(a) is a fixed element of D . We define the double norm $\|x\|$ in $C_n^m(D)$ as

$$\|x\| = \max_{\sigma(h) < n; \sigma(j) = n} [|x_{(h)}(a)|, \sup_{(s) \in D} |x_{(j)}(s)|], \quad x \in C_n^m(D).$$

Then $\|x\|$ is majorized by $|||x|||$ and, conversely, $|||x|||$ is majorized by a constant times $\|x\|$, since we may express $x_{(h)}(s)$, $(s) \in D$, $\sigma(h) < n$, in terms of $x_{(h)}(a)$, $\sigma(h) < n$, and $x_{(j)}(s)$, $(s) \in D$, $\sigma(j) = n$, by Whitney's form of Taylor's formula along rectifiable curves of bounded length [6, equation (4)]. Thus the double and triple norms in $C_n^m(D)$ are equivalent if D is boundedly connected.

THEOREM 2. *Suppose that $F \in C_n^m(D)^*$, where $D \subset R^m$ is compact and boundedly connected. Take $(a) \in D$. Put*

$$c^{(h)} = F[(s_1 - a_1)^{h_1} \cdots (s_m - a_m)^{h_m}] / h_1! \cdots h_m!, \quad \sigma(h) < n.$$

Then functions $f^{(j)}$, $\sigma(j) = n$, of bounded variation on D , exist such that

$$(2) \quad Fx = \sum_{\sigma(h) < n} c^{(h)} x_{(h)}(a) + \sum_{\sigma(j) = n} \int_D x_{(j)}(s) df^{(j)}(s)$$

for all $x \in C_n^m(D)$,

and

$$(3) \quad \|F\| = \sum_{\sigma(h) < n} |c^{(h)}| + \sum_{\sigma(j) = n} \text{var } f^{(j)}.$$

The functions $f^{(j)}$ may, alternatively, be called bounded signed measures.

A few comments before the proof may be of interest.

Theorem 2 does not afford a method of calculating the functions $f^{(j)}$, $\sigma(j) = n$. Nor is any universal method known, even in the case in which D is a solid sphere or an m -dimensional interval! In considering a particular functional F , one may, perhaps, find functions $f^{(j)}$ for which (2) holds; then (2) would imply that [5, p. 204]

$$(4) \quad \|F\| \leq \sum_{\sigma(h) < n} |c^{(h)}| + \sum_{\sigma(j) = n} \text{var } f^{(j)},$$

a relation which is weaker than (3). The reason that equality in (4) may not be valid is that the partial derivatives $x_{(j)}$, $\sigma(j) = n$, of a function $x \in C_n^m(D)$ are somewhat dependent on one another; if $x_{(j)}$ resonates with its integrator $df^{(j)}$ in (2), it may be impossible for $x_{(k)}$ to resonate with $df^{(k)}$, $\sigma(k) = n$. Thus the full resonance indicated by (3) instead of (4) may be unattainable and unapproachable for $x \in C_n^m(D)$, $\|x\| = 1$. For the functions $f^{(j)}$ of Theorem 2, however, both (2) and (3) hold.

The general case is like the particular case $m = 2, n = 1$, which we now discuss, using an alphabetical notation:

$$(a, b) \in D \subset \mathbb{R}^2,$$

$$|||x||| = \max[\sup |x(s, t)|, \sup |x_{1,0}(s, t)|, \sup |x_{0,1}(s, t)|],$$

$$||x|| = \max[|x(a, b)|, \sup |x_{1,0}(s, t)|, \sup |x_{0,1}(s, t)|], \quad x \in C_1^2(D);$$

where the suprema are taken for $(s, t) \in D$.

A first attempt to prove Theorem 2 might start with Taylor's formula,

$$x(s, t) = x(a, b) + \int_0^1 \{(s - a)x_{1,0}[a + u(s - a), b + u(t - b)] \\ + (t - b)x_{0,1}[a + u(s - a), b + u(t - b)]\} du, \quad (s, t) \in D,$$

valid for $x \in C_1^2(D)$, where, for the moment, we assume that D is convex. If $F \in C_1^2(D)^*$, we may operate with F on both sides of the equation, but F of the integral is not readily simplified. One may not interchange F and \int , since the integrand is not necessarily an element of $C_1^2(D)$ for fixed u . Nor may we write F of the integral as the sum of two terms of which one is

$$F \int_0^1 (s - a)x_{1,0}[a + u(s - a), b + u(t - b)] du,$$

since the argument of F here is not necessarily an element of $C_1^2(D)$.

PROOF OF THEOREM 2. The particular case $m = 2, n = 1$, will indicate the general proof. Let

$$Y = \mathbb{R} \times C_0^2 \times C_0^2 = \{(\gamma, y, z) : \gamma \in \mathbb{R}, y \in C_0^2, \text{ and } z \in C_0^2\},$$

with

$$||(\gamma, y, z)||_Y = \max(|\gamma|, ||y||_{C_0^2}, ||z||_{C_0^2}),$$

where $C_0^2 = C_0^2(D)$. The key to the present proof is that if $x \in C_1^2(D)$, then $(x(a, b), x_{1,0}, x_{0,1}) \in Y$.

Let M be the linear set

$$\{(\gamma, y, z) : \text{For some } x \in C_1^2(D), \gamma = x(a, b), y = x_{1,0}, \text{ and } z = x_{0,1}\} \subset Y.$$

Define ϕ as the map of $C_1^2(D)$ onto M in which

$$\phi(x) = (x(a, b), x_{1,0}, x_{0,1}) \in M, \quad x \in C_1^2(D).$$

By Whitney's form of Taylor's formula and our hypothesis on D ,

ϕ is one-to-one. Furthermore, both ϕ and ϕ^{-1} are bounded maps with bound 1, since

$$\|\phi(x)\|_Y = \|x\|_{C_1^2(D)}, \quad x \in C_1^2(D).$$

Put

$$G = F\phi^{-1}.$$

Thus G is a linear functional on $M \subset Y$, and G is bounded with

$$\|G\|_{M^*} = \|F\|_{C_1^2(D)^*} < \infty.$$

By the Hahn-Banach theorem [1, p. 55], there exists a linear continuous functional H on Y such that

$$H(\gamma, y, z) = G(\gamma, y, z) \quad \text{for all } (\gamma, y, z) \in M$$

and

$$\|H\|_{Y^*} = \|G\|_{M^*}.$$

Now

$$H(\gamma, y, z) = H(\gamma, 0, 0) + H(0, y, 0) + H(0, 0, z),$$

and the terms on the right are linear continuous functionals on \mathbf{R} , C_0^2 , C_0^2 , respectively. Hence

$$H(\gamma, y, z) = c\gamma + \iint_D y(s, t) de(s, t) + \iint_D z(s, t) df(s, t),$$

$(\gamma, y, z) \in Y,$

and

$$\|H\|_{Y^*} = |c| + \text{var } e + \text{var } f,$$

where $c = H(1, 0, 0) = F[1] \in \mathbf{R}$, and e, f are functions of bounded variation on D for which explicit formulas in terms of H can be given [5, pp. 244, 245].

Then

$$\begin{aligned} Fx &= G\phi(x) = H\phi(x) = H[x(a, b), x_{1,0}, x_{0,1}] \\ &= cx(a, b) + \iint_D x_{1,0}(s, t) de(s, t) + \text{dual term}, \quad x \in C_1^2(D). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

In a similar fashion, one may establish the following theorem.

THEOREM 2'. *Suppose that $F \in C_n^m(D)^*$, where $D \subset \mathbf{R}^m$ is compact but*

not necessarily connected. Then functions $g^{(h)}, \sigma(h) \leq n$, of bounded variation on D , exist such that

$$Fx = \sum_{\sigma(h) \leq n} \int_D x_{(h)}(s) dg^{(h)}(s) \quad \text{for all } x \in C_n^m(D),$$

and

$$|||F||| = \sum_{\sigma(h) \leq n} \text{var } g^{(h)}.$$

Here, too, there is no known method of finding the functions $g^{(h)}, \sigma(h) \leq n$. Theorem 2', with $m=1$, is a partial analogue of Theorem 1.

An interesting question is this: When can an expression Fx of the form (2) vanish for all $x \in C_n^m(D)$? By taking $x(s)$ to be the polynomial $(s_1 - a_1)^{h_1} \cdots (s_m - a_m)^{h_m}$, we see at once that it is necessary that $c^{(h)} = 0$ for all (h) such that $\sigma(h) < n$.

Let I be a compact interval which contains D . If $df^{(i)}, \sigma(j) = n$, are given on D , then $df^{(i)}$ may be extended onto I by ascribing zero measure to all subsets of $I - D$. Then

$$\int_D z df^{(j)} = \int_I z df^{(j)},$$

whenever the first integral exists. We shall, therefore, consider expressions of the form (2) in which D is a compact interval of \mathbb{R}^m and $c^{(h)} = 0, \sigma(h) < n$.

Let

$$I = \{ (s): \alpha_1 \leq s_1 \leq \bar{\alpha}_1, \cdots, \alpha_m \leq s_m \leq \bar{\alpha}_m \} \subset \mathbb{R}^m.$$

If f is a function of bounded variation on I , we agree to extend its definition as follows:

$$f(s) = f(s') \quad \text{for all } (s) \in \mathbb{R}^m,$$

where

$$s'_i = \begin{cases} \alpha_i & \text{if } s_i \leq \alpha_i, \\ s_i & \text{if } \alpha_i \leq s_i \leq \bar{\alpha}_i, \\ \bar{\alpha}_i & \text{if } \bar{\alpha}_i \leq s_i, \end{cases} \quad i = 1, \cdots, m.$$

We say that f is a *normalized* function of bounded variation on I if f vanishes on the lower boundary of I and, except possibly on the lower boundary, is continuous from above: $f(s) = 0$ if for some $i, s_i = \alpha_i$, and $f(s+0) = f(s)$ if for all $i, s_i \neq \alpha_i$.

In the following theorem, the operator $D_i = \partial/\partial s_i$ indicates partial differentiation, $i = 1, \cdots, m$; the operator S_i indicates the substitu-

tion of $\bar{\alpha}_i$ for s_i ; the operator $T_i = T_{\cdot, i}$ is the analogue of the Taylor operator of Theorem 1; and a caret above an operator indicates its absence. For example,

$$\hat{S}_1 S_2 \hat{S}_3 T_1 T_3 z(s_1, s_2, s_3) = \int_{\alpha_1}^{\alpha_1} d\bar{s}_1 \int_{\alpha_3}^{\alpha_3} z(\bar{s}_1, \bar{\alpha}_2, \bar{s}_3) d\bar{s}_3.$$

THEOREM 3. *Suppose that $g^i, i = 1, \dots, m$, are normalized functions of bounded variation on I . A necessary and sufficient condition that*

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \int_I (D_i x) dg^i = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in C_1^m(I)$$

is that the following conditions hold for all $(s) \in I$:

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 \cdots \hat{S}_i \cdots S_m g^i(s) &= 0, & i = 1, \dots, m; \\ S_1 \cdots \hat{S}_i \cdots \hat{S}_j \cdots S_m [T_j g^i(s) + T_i g^j(s)] &= 0, & i < j; i, j = 1, \dots, m; \\ S_1 \cdots \hat{S}_i \cdots \hat{S}_j \cdots \hat{S}_k \cdots S_m [T_j T_k g^i(s) + T_k T_i g^j(s) + T_i T_j g^k(s)] &= 0, \\ & & i < j < k; i, j, k = 1, \dots, m; \\ & & \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^m T_1 \cdots \hat{T}_i \cdots T_m g^i(s) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

We shall give the proof for the case $m = 2$, where the theorem is the following.

Suppose that $I = I_s \times I_t, I_s = [\alpha, \bar{\alpha}], I_t = [\beta, \bar{\beta}]$, and e, f are normalized functions of bounded variation on I . A necessary and sufficient condition that

$$(5) \quad \int \int_I x_{1,0}(s, t) de(s, t) + \int \int_I x_{0,1}(s, t) df(s, t) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in C_1^2(I)$$

is that

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} e(s, \bar{\beta}) &= 0 \quad \text{for all } s \in I_s, \\ f(\bar{\alpha}, t) &= 0 \quad \text{for all } t \in I_t, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(7) \quad \int_{\beta}^{\bar{\beta}} e(s, \bar{t}) d\bar{t} + \int_{\alpha}^{\bar{\alpha}} f(\bar{s}, t) d\bar{s} = 0 \quad \text{for all } (s, t) \in I.$$

PROOF. Denote the left side of (5) by Fx . Suppose that $y \in C_1(I_s)$ and that $x(s, t) = y(s), (s, t) \in I$. Then $x \in C_1^2(I)$, and [5, p. 518]

$$Fx = \int \int_I y_1(s) de(s, t) = \int_{I_s} y_1(s) de(s, \tilde{\beta}).$$

This expression vanishes for all $y \in C_1(I_s)$ if and only if $e(s, \tilde{\beta}) = 0$, by Riesz's theorem [5, p. 135; cf. p. 507 also], since our hypothesis that $e(s, t)$ is a normalized function of bounded variation on I implies that $e(s, \tilde{\beta})$ is a normalized function of bounded variation on I_s .

Thus (6) is necessary and sufficient that $Fx = 0$ for all $x \in C_1^2(I)$ which are functions of s alone or t alone.

Assume (6). We shall show that $Fx = 0$ for all $x \in C_1^2(I)$ if and only if (7) holds. Since $C_2^2(I)$ is dense in $C_1^2(I)$, it will be sufficient to consider $C_2^2(I)$.

Consider an arbitrary $x \in C_2^2(I)$. By a simple Taylor expansion,

$$(8) \quad x(s, t) = x(\alpha, t) + \int_{\alpha}^s x_{1,0}(\tilde{s}, \beta) d\tilde{s} + \int_{\alpha}^s d\tilde{s} \int_{\beta}^t x_{1,1}(\tilde{s}, \tilde{t}) d\tilde{t}, \quad (s, t) \in I.$$

This relation is, in fact, equation (56) of [5, p. 184] for the space B in which $(a, b) = (\alpha, \beta)$ and

$$\bar{\omega}_{s,t} = \{(1, 1)\}, \quad \bar{\omega}_{s,b} = \{(1, 0)\}, \quad \bar{\omega}_{\alpha,t} = \{(0, 0)\}, \quad \bar{\omega}_{\alpha,b} = 0.$$

Since the first two terms on the right of (8) are functions of s alone or t alone, they are zeros of F . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} Fx &= \int \int_I de(s, t) \int_{\beta}^t x_{1,1}(s, \tilde{t}) d\tilde{t} + \text{dual term} \\ &= \int \int_I de(s, t) \int_{I_{\tilde{t}}} x_{1,1}(s, \tilde{t}) \theta(t, \tilde{t}) d\tilde{t} + \text{dual term}, \end{aligned}$$

where θ is the Heaviside function (1). By Fubini's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} Fx &= \int_{I_{\tilde{t}}} d\tilde{t} \int \int_{I_s \times I_t} x_{1,1}(s, \tilde{t}) \theta(t, \tilde{t}) de(s, t) + \text{dual} \\ &= \int_{I_{\tilde{t}}} d\tilde{t} \int \int_{I_s \times [\tilde{t}, \tilde{\beta}]} x_{1,1}(s, \tilde{t}) de(s, t) + \text{dual} \\ &= \int_{I_{\tilde{t}}} d\tilde{t} \int_{I_s} x_{1,1}(s, \tilde{t}) [de(s, \tilde{\beta}) - de(s, \tilde{t} - 0)] + \text{dual} \\ &= - \int_{I_{\tilde{t}}} d\tilde{t} \int_{I_s} x_{1,1}(s, \tilde{t}) de(s, \tilde{t}) + \text{dual}, \end{aligned}$$

by (6) and the fact that $e(s, t)$ and $e(s, t-0)$ differ on a countable set which is therefore of Lebesgue measure zero. Hence

$$Fx = - \int_I \int_I x_{1,1}(s, t) d_{s,t} \left[\int_{\beta}^t e(s, \bar{t}) d\bar{t} + \int_{\alpha}^s f(\bar{s}, t) d\bar{s} \right],$$

by a direct argument. Now the integrator (quantity in brackets) is a normalized function of bounded variation on I . Hence $Fx=0$ for all $x_{1,1} \in C_0(I)$ if and only if the integrator vanishes for all $(s, t) \in I$ [5, p. 244]. This establishes (7) and completes the proof.

We may construct many forms of $0 \in C_1^2(I)^*$ as follows. Let Γ be an oriented rectifiable closed curve contained in I . Then

$$\int_{\Gamma} dx = \int_{\Gamma} x_{1,0}(s, t) ds + \int_{\Gamma} x_{0,1}(s, t) dt = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in C_1^2(I).$$

Now express the integral on each partial as a double Stieltjes integral; for example,

$$\int_{\Gamma} x_{1,0}(s, t) ds = \int \int_I x_{1,0}(s, t) de(s, t),$$

where e is the normalization [5, p. 532] of the function η defined as follows: $\eta(\bar{s}, \bar{t})$ equals the difference in the s -coordinates of the last point of Γ in $[\alpha, \bar{s}] \times [\beta, \bar{t}]$ and the first point therein. With the dual definition of f , we now have an instance of (5).

Theorem 3 generalizes to $C_n^m(I)$ but both statement and proof become complicated. Perhaps it will be suitable to consider only $C_2^2(I)$.

THEOREM 4. *Suppose that e, f, g are normalized functions of bounded variation on I . A necessary and sufficient condition that*

$$(9) \quad \int \int_I x_{2,0}(s, t) de(s, t) + \int \int_I x_{1,1}(s, t) df(s, t) + \int \int_I x_{0,2}(s, t) dg(s, t) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in C_2^2(I)$$

is that

$$(10) \quad f(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{\beta}) = 0,$$

$$(11) \quad e(s, \bar{\beta}) = 0 \quad \text{for all } s \in I, \quad g(\bar{\alpha}, t) = 0 \quad \text{for all } t \in I,$$

$$(12) \quad T_s f(s, \bar{\beta}) + \int_{\beta}^{\bar{\beta}} e(s, \bar{t}) d\bar{t} = 0 \quad \text{for all } s \in I,$$

$$T_t f(\bar{\alpha}, t) + \int_{\alpha}^{\bar{\alpha}} g(\bar{s}, t) d\bar{s} = 0 \quad \text{for all } t \in I,$$

and

$$(13) \quad T_s^2 e(s, t) + T_s T_t f(s, t) + T_s^2 g(s, t) = 0 \quad \text{for all } (s, t) \in I.$$

PROOF. Denote the left side of (9) by Fx . Suppose that $y \in C_2(I_s)$ and that

$$x(s, t) = y(s), \quad (s, t) \in I.$$

Then $x \in C_2^0(I)$, and

$$Fx = \int \int_I y_2(s) de(s, t) = \int_{I_s} y_2(s) de(s, \bar{\beta}).$$

This expression vanishes for all $y \in C_2(I_s)$ if and only if $e(s, \bar{\beta}) = 0$, since $e(s, \bar{\beta})$ is normalized on I_s . Thus (11) is necessary and sufficient that $Fx = 0$ for all $x \in C_2^0(I)$ which are functions of s alone or of t alone.

Assume (11). Put $x(s, t) = st$. Then

$$Fx = \int \int_I df(s, t) = f(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{\beta}) = 0$$

if and only if (10) holds. Assume (10). Suppose that $y \in C_2(I_s)$ and that $x(s, t) = (t - \beta)y(s)$, $(s, t) \in I$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} Fx &= \int \int_I (t - \beta)y_2(s) de(s, t) + \int \int_I y_1(s) df(s, t) \\ &= \int_{I_s} y_2(s) d_s \int_{I_t} (t - \beta) de(s, t) + \int_{I_s} y_1(s) df(s, \bar{\beta}), \end{aligned}$$

by the dual of Fubini's theorem, given in the appendix of the present paper. By parts, using (10) and (11), we see that

$$\begin{aligned} Fx &= \int_{I_s} y_2(s) d_s \left[0 - \int_{I_t} e(s, t) dt \right] + 0 - \int_{I_s} f(s, \bar{\beta}) y_2(s) ds \\ &= - \int_{I_s} y_2(s) d_s \left[\int_{I_t} e(s, t) dt + \int_{\bar{\alpha}} f(\bar{s}, \bar{\beta}) d\bar{s} \right] \\ &= - \int_{I_s} y_2(s) d_s \left[\int_{I_t} e(s, t) dt + T_s f(s, \bar{\beta}) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now the integrator is normalized on I_s . Hence $Fx = 0$ for all $y \in C_2(I_s)$ if and only if the first relation of (12) holds. This and the dual argument show that $Fx = 0$ for all $x \in C_2^0(I)$ which are such that either $x(s, t) = (t - \beta)y(s)$, $y \in C_2(I_s)$ or x is the dual function, if and only if (10) and (12) hold.

Assume (10), (11), and (12). We shall show that $Fx = 0$ for all

$x \in C_2^2(I)$ if and only if (13) holds. Since $C_4^2(I)$ is dense in $C_2^2(I)$, it will be sufficient to consider $C_4^2(I)$.

Consider an arbitrary $x \in C_4^2(I)$. By a simple Taylor expansion,

$$(14) \quad \begin{aligned} x(s, t) = & x(\alpha, t) + T_s x_{1,0}(s, \beta) + T_s T_t x_{1,1}(\alpha, t) + T_s^2 T_t x_{2,1}(s, \beta) \\ & + T_s^2 T_t^2 x_{2,2}(s, t), \quad (s, t) \in I. \end{aligned}$$

This relation is, in fact, equation (56) [5, p. 184] for the space B in which $(a, b) = (\alpha, \beta)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\omega}_{s,t} = & \{(2, 2)\}, & \bar{\omega}_{s,b} = & \{(1, 0), (2, 1)\}, \\ \bar{\omega}_{a,t} = & \{(0, 0), (1, 1)\}, & \bar{\omega}_{a,b} = & 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now the terms on the right side of (14), except the last, are zeros of F . For example, $T_s^2 T_t x_{2,1}(s, \beta) = (t - \beta) T_s^2 x_{2,1}(s, \beta)$ and $T_s^2 x_{2,1}(s, \beta) \in C_2(I_s)$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} Fx = & FT_s^2 T_t^2 x_{2,2}(s, t) \\ = & \int \int_I [T_s^2 x_{2,2}(s, t)] de(s, t) + \int \int_I [T_s T_t x_{2,2}(s, t)] df(s, t) \\ & + \text{dual of first term} \\ = & \int \int_I de(s, t) \int_{I_s} x_{2,2}(s, \bar{t})(t - \bar{t})\theta(t, \bar{t}) d\bar{t} \\ & + \int \int_I df(s, t) \int \int_I x_{2,2}(\bar{s}, \bar{t})\theta(s, \bar{s})\theta(t, \bar{t}) d\bar{s}d\bar{t} + \text{dual of first term,} \end{aligned}$$

by (1) and [5, p. 152]. By Fubini's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} Fx = & \int_{I_t} d\bar{t} \int \int_I x_{2,2}(s, \bar{t})(t - \bar{t})\theta(t, \bar{t}) de(s, t) \\ & + \int \int_I x_{2,2}(\bar{s}, \bar{t}) d\bar{s}d\bar{t} \int \int_I \theta(s, \bar{s})\theta(t, \bar{t}) df(s, t) + \text{dual of first term.} \end{aligned}$$

Now, by the dual of Fubini's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \int \int_I x_{2,2}(s, \bar{t})(t - \bar{t})\theta(t, \bar{t}) de(s, t) \\ = \int_{I_s} x_{2,2}(s, \bar{t}) d_s \int_{I_t} (t - \bar{t})\theta(t, \bar{t}) de(s, t); \end{aligned}$$

and, by (11),

$$\int_{I_t} (t - \bar{t})\theta(t, \bar{t}) d_t e(s, t) = \int_{[\bar{t}, \bar{\beta}]} (t - \bar{t}) d_t e(s, t) = 0 - \int_{\bar{t}}^{\bar{\beta}} e(s, t) dt.$$

Also, by (10),

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \int_I \theta(s, \bar{s})\theta(t, \bar{t}) df(s, t) \\ &= \int \int_{[\bar{s}, \bar{\alpha}] \times [\bar{t}, \bar{\beta}]} df(s, t) = -f(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{t} - 0) - f(\bar{s} - 0, \bar{\beta}) + f(\bar{s} - 0, \bar{t} - 0); \end{aligned}$$

and the last expression equals $-f(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{t}) - f(\bar{s}, \bar{\beta}) + f(\bar{s}, \bar{t})$ except for countably many values of \bar{s} and \bar{t} [5, p. 524]. Since we may change the integrand of a Lebesgue integral on a set of measure zero,

$$\begin{aligned} Fx &= \int_{I_{\bar{t}}} d\bar{t} \int_{I_s} x_{2,2}(s, \bar{t}) d_s \int_{\bar{t}}^{\bar{\beta}} -e(s, t) dt \\ &+ \int \int_I x_{2,2}(\bar{s}, \bar{t}) [f(\bar{s}, \bar{t}) - f(\bar{s}, \bar{\beta}) - f(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{t})] d\bar{s}d\bar{t} + \text{dual of first term} \\ &= \int \int_I x_{2,2}(s, t) d_{s,t} \left[\int_{\beta}^t dt^* \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} -e(s, \bar{t}) d\bar{t} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_{\alpha}^s \int_{\beta}^t [f(\bar{s}, \bar{t}) - f(\bar{s}, \bar{\beta}) - f(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{t})] d\bar{s}d\bar{t} + \text{dual of first term} \right], \end{aligned}$$

by a direct argument. Hence, by (12),

$$\begin{aligned} Fx &= \int \int_I x_{2,2}(s, t) d_{s,t} [T_s(T_s f(s, \bar{\beta}) + T_t e(s, t)) \\ &\quad + T_s T_t (f(s, t) - f(s, \bar{\beta}) - f(\bar{\alpha}, t)) + \text{dual of first term}] \\ &= \int \int_I x_{2,2}(s, t) d_{s,t} [T_s^2 e(s, t) + T_s T_t f(s, t) + T_s^2 g(s, t)]. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $Fx = 0$ for all $x \in C_4^2(I)$ if and only if (13) holds.

Thus Theorem 4 is established.

4. The spaces B, K, Z . Our knowledge of the adjoint X^* varies with the space X . We have seen that if $X = C_n^m(I)$, standard forms of $F \in C_n^m(I)^*$ are not accessible to us, if $n > 0$ and $m > 1$. It is therefore of interest to discover spaces X for which standard forms of $F \in X^*$ and of $\|F\|$ are known and utilizable. The spaces B, K, Z , to be described, are of this sort; B is a generalization of $C_n^1(I)$ and K of $C_{n-1}^1(I)$; Z is a subset of $C_0^1(I)$.

There are infinitely many spaces B, K [5, Chapters 6, 7]. I shall describe one pair of spaces in which, in the notation of the reference,

$$m = 2, \quad p = 1, \quad q = 2, \quad n = p + q = 3.$$

Let $I = I_s \times I_t$ be a compact interval of the (s, t) -plane. Let $(a, b) \in I$. To define the space B , we first define the *core* of a function x on I as the set consisting of the following partial derivatives:

$$D_t D_s D_t x = x_{1,2}(s, t), \quad (s, t) \in I,$$

$$x_{2,0}(s, b), \quad D_s^2 D_t x \Big|_{(s,t)=(s,b)} = x_{2,1}(s, b), \quad s \in I_s,$$

and

$$x_{0,4}(a, t), \quad t \in I_t.$$

The *space* B is defined as the set of functions x for which the derivatives in the core exist and are continuous on I, I_s, I_t , respectively. We denote by $\omega_{s,t}$ the set consisting of the sole element $x_{1,2}(s, t)$, by $\omega_{s,b}$ the set consisting of the two elements $x_{2,0}(s, b)$ and $x_{2,1}(s, b)$, by $\omega_{a,t}$ the set consisting of the sole element $x_{0,4}(a, t)$. The core of x is $\omega_{s,t} \cup \omega_{s,b} \cup \omega_{a,t}$. We denote by $\omega_{a,b}$ the set of derivatives which are predecessors of derivatives in the core, each evaluated at (a, b) . Thus $\omega_{a,b}$ is the set of six elements

$$x(a, b), \quad x_{1,0}(a, b), \quad x_{0,1}(a, b),$$

$$D_s D_t x \Big|_{(s,t)=(a,b)} = x_{1,1}(a, b), \quad x_{0,2}(a, b), \quad x_{0,3}(a, b).$$

The *complete core* is defined as

$$\omega = \omega_{s,t} \cup \omega_{s,b} \cup \omega_{a,t} \cup \omega_{a,b}.$$

If $x \in B$, the elements of ω are determined uniquely. Conversely, we may take any ordered set of six constants as $\omega_{a,b}$, any ordered pair of continuous functions on I_s as $\omega_{s,b}$, the dual as $\omega_{a,t}$, and any continuous function on I as $\omega_{s,t}$; there is then a unique element x of B whose complete core ω is the constructed set. Thus ω is a set of coordinates (in fact, intrinsic coordinates) for x .

An order of differentiation has been specified for each element of ω . If $x \in B$, then certain derivatives of x must exist and be continuous. The set ϕ of these derivatives is called the *full core* of x . A straightforward elementary calculation shows that [5, p. 189]

$$\phi = \phi_{s,t} \cup \phi_{s,b} \cup \phi_{a,t},$$

where

$$\phi_{s,t} = \{x(s, t), x_{1,0}(s, t), x_{0,1}(s, t), x_{1,1}(s, t), x_{0,2}(s, t), x_{1,2}(s, t); (s, t) \in I; \\ \text{all orders of differentiation are allowed and equivalent}\};$$

$\phi_{s,b} = \{x_{2,0}(s, b), x_{2,1}(s, b) = D_s x_{1,1}|_{(s,t)=(s,b)}; s \in I_s; \text{ both orders of differentiation in } x_{1,1} \text{ are allowed and equivalent}\}$;

$\phi_{a,t} = \{x_{0,3}(a, t), x_{0,4}(a, t); t \in I_t\}$.

In the present case only one order of differentiation in a mixed derivative is excluded: $x_{2,1}(s, b)$ may not be interpreted as $D_i x_{2,0}(s, t)|_{(s,t)=(s,b)}$.

We introduce two norms in B as follows: $\|x\|$ is the maximum of the suprema of the absolute values on I of the elements of ω , and $\|\phi\|$ is the analogous maximum for ϕ , where $x \in B$. These norms are equivalent. If a functional $F \in B^*$, its double norm $\|F\|$ is defined in terms of $\|x\|$.

THEOREM 5. *Suppose that $F \in B^*$. Then unique constants $c^{i,j}$ and normalized functions $\lambda^{i,j}$ of bounded variation on I_s, I_t, I , respectively, exist such that*

$$(15) \quad \begin{aligned} Fx &= \sum_{\omega_{a,b}} c^{i,j} x_{i,j}(a, b) + \sum_{\omega_{a,b}} \int_{I_s} x_{i,j}(s, b) d\lambda^{i,j}(s) + \text{dual sum} \\ &+ \int \int_I x_{p,q}(s, t) d\lambda^{p,q}(s, t) \quad \text{for all } x \in B. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} i!j!c^{i,j} &= F[(s-a)^i(t-b)^j], \\ j!\lambda^{i,j}(\bar{s}) &= \begin{cases} \lim_{\bar{v}} F[(t-b)^j T_s^i \theta^r(\bar{s}, s)] & \text{if } \bar{s} > \alpha, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ i!\lambda^{i,j}(\bar{t}) &= \text{dual expression,} \\ \lambda^{p,q}(\bar{s}, \bar{t}) &= \begin{cases} \lim_{\bar{v}, \bar{v}'} F[T_s^p T_t^q \theta^r(\bar{s}, s) \theta^{r'}(\bar{t}, t)] & \text{if } \bar{s} > \alpha \text{ and } \bar{t} > \beta, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|F\| = \sum |c^{i,j}| + \sum \int_{I_s} d|\lambda^{i,j}|(s) + \text{dual} + \int \int_I d|\lambda^{p,q}|(s, t).$$

The indices i, j here vary over the domains appropriate to the terms of (15) in which they appear.

This theorem, like Theorem 1, is an immediate consequence of Riesz's theorem on C_0^{m*} . The proof is given in [5, p. 246].

The formula (15) for Fx , $x \in B$, cannot be simplified, since the elements of ω are entirely independent of one another. The formula leads to many strong appraisals, of which

$$\|Fx\| \leq \|F\| \|x\|, \quad x \in B,$$

is one [5, p. 22].

If the functions $\lambda^{i,j}$ in (15) are absolutely continuous, the Stieltjes integrals reduce to ordinary integrals. Then the formula (15) is particularly useful: it permits appraisals by Hölder inequalities [5, p. 203] as well as exact evaluation by ordinary integrations. One may, for any $F \in B^*$, compute the functions $\lambda^{i,j}$ and, by direct study, determine whether $\lambda^{i,j}$ are absolutely continuous and, if so, calculate their densities. Such a calculation may be long and even impracticable. It may contain an element of unnecessary calculation, since the operators T_s , T_t in Theorem 5 are integrations and each differentiation of $\lambda^{i,j}$, where possible, undoes the effect of one integration.

The space K , to be described, permits direct access to an equality like (15) in which all integrators are absolutely continuous, with known densities. The space K involves the *retracted core* ρ and the *covered core* ξ of a function on I . The determination of ρ and ξ is straightforward [5, pp. 195, 262]. In the present case,

$$\rho = \rho_{s,t} \cup \rho_{s,b} \cup \rho_{a,t} \cup \rho_{a,b},$$

where

$$\rho_{a,b} = \omega_{a,b},$$

$$\rho_{s,b} = \{x_{1,0}(s, b) - x_{1,0}(a, b), x_{1,1}(s, b) - x_{1,1}(a, b)\}, \quad x_{1,1} = D_s D_t x,$$

$$\rho_{a,t} = \{x_{0,3}(a, t) - x_{0,3}(a, b)\},$$

$$\rho_{s,t} = \{x_{0,1}(s, t) - x_{0,1}(s, b) - x_{0,1}(a, t) + x_{0,1}(a, b)\},$$

and

$$\xi = \xi_{s,t} \cup \xi_{s,b} \cup \xi_{a,t},$$

where

$$\xi_{s,t} = \{x(s, t), x_{0,1}(s, t)\},$$

$$\xi_{s,b} = \{x_{1,0}(s, b), x_{1,1}(s, b)\}, \quad x_{1,1} = D_s D_t x,$$

$$\xi_{a,t} = \{x_{0,2}(a, t), x_{0,3}(a, t)\}.$$

We define the *space* K as the set of functions x on I for which the elements of ρ exist and are continuous.

If $x \in K$, then the elements of ξ must exist and be continuous. We introduce two norms in K as follows: $\|x\|$ is the maximum of the

suprema of the absolute values on I of the elements of ρ , and $|||x|||$ is the analogous maximum for ξ . These norms are equivalent. Note that $B \subset K$ and $B^* \supset K^*$.

THEOREM 6. *Suppose that $F \in K^*$. Then unique constants $c^{i,j}$ and normalized functions $\kappa^{i,j}$ of bounded variation on I_a, I_t, I , respectively, exist such that*

$$(16) \quad \begin{aligned} Fx = & \sum_{a,b} c^{i,j} x_{i,j}(a, b) + \sum_{a,b} \int_{I_a} x_{i,j}(s, b) \kappa^{i,j}(s) ds + \text{dual sum} \\ & + \int \int_I x_{p,q}(s, t) \kappa^{p,q}(s, t) ds dt \quad \text{for all } x \in B. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} i|j|c^{i,j} &= F[(s - a)^i(t - b)^j], \\ j|k^{i,j}(\bar{s}) &= \lim_{\nu} F[(t - b)^j T_a^{i-1} \psi^\nu(a, \bar{s}, s)] \quad \text{if } \bar{s} > \alpha, \\ i|k^{k,j}(\bar{t}) &= \text{dual expression}, \\ \kappa^{p,q}(\bar{s}, \bar{t}) &= \lim_{\nu, \nu'} F[T_a^{p-1} T_b^{q-1} \psi^\nu(a, \bar{s}, s) \psi^{\nu'}(b, \bar{t}, t)] \quad \text{if } \bar{s} > \alpha \text{ and } \bar{t} > \beta. \end{aligned}$$

Here, $\psi^\nu(a, \bar{s}, s) = \theta^\nu(\bar{s}, a) - \theta^\nu(\bar{s}, s)$, $\nu = 1, 2, \dots$, are a standard sequence of continuous functions [5, p. 146]. The proof of Theorem 6 is given in [5, pp. 266, 270].

It is Theorem 6 which justifies the study of the space K . Its hypothesis involves intrinsic properties of F . Thus $F \in K^*$ means that Fx is defined wherever $x \in K$, that F is linear on K , and that F is continuous on K . Of course, Theorems 1, 2, and 5 also involve intrinsic properties of their functionals. The earlier theorems, however, are immediate consequences of Riesz's theorem, whereas Theorem 6 is a somewhat removed consequence. The proof of Theorem 6 depends on the exact definition of K and its norm; this definition is just contrived to counter difficulties related to the partial dependence of partial derivatives of x . The hypothesis of Theorem 6 cannot be weakened.

An elementary application of Theorem 6 is the following. Let $F = R$ be the remainder

$$Rx = \int \int_I x(s, t) d\mu(s, t) - \gamma x(s^0, t^0)$$

in the approximation of the double integral by the natural multiple γ of the integrand $x(s^0, t^0)$ at the center of mass, where μ is an arbitrary fixed function of bounded variation on I , and

$$\gamma = \iint_I d\mu(s, t), \quad \gamma s^0 = \iint_I s d\mu(s, t), \quad \gamma t^0 = \iint_I t d\mu(s, t).$$

We assume that $\gamma \neq 0$ and that $(s^0, t^0) \in I$. The functional R is defined for all functions which are μ -integrable and which are defined at (s^0, t^0) . We shall consider restrictions of R , which we continue to denote by the same letter R . Then $R \in K^*$ for all spaces K . We have infinitely many formulas (16) for Rx , $x \in B$, one for each space B which has a companion K . Each formula is accessible; each gives Rx in terms of independent elements; each is sharply appraisable. The effect of our having used the center of mass and the factor γ is that

$$c^{0,0} = c^{1,0} = c^{0,1} = 0.$$

Whether other coefficients $c^{i,j}$ are present in (16) depends on $\omega_{a,b}$ and μ .

The proof of Theorem 6 involves another function space Z . As Z seems interesting in itself, I shall describe it. The space Z is defined as the subspace of $C_0^2(I)$ consisting of functions $x(s, t)$ on I which vanish everywhere on I_s when $t=b$ and on I_t when $s=a$:

$$Z = \{x \in C_0^2(I) : x(s, b) = 0 = x(a, t) \text{ for all } s \in I_s \text{ and } t \in I_t\},$$

with the same norm as in $C_0^2(I)$:

$$\|x\| = \sup_{(s,t) \in I} |x(s, t)|, \quad x \in Z.$$

Consider a functional $F \in Z^*$. Since $Z \subset C_0^2(I)$, the Hahn-Banach theorem implies that there is an extension $G \in C_0^2(I)^*$ of F with the same norm, and Riesz's theorem gives an expression for Gx , $x \in C_0^2(I)$, as a Stieltjes integral on x . The next theorem gives an accessible and useful representation of F , different from the Hahn-Banach extension.

THEOREM 7. *Suppose that $F \in Z^*$. There is a unique normalized function λ of bounded variation on I which vanishes everywhere on the boundary of I such that*

$$Fx = \iint_I x(s, t) d\lambda(s, t) \quad \text{for all } x \in Z.$$

Furthermore,

$$\lambda(\bar{s}, \bar{t}) = \begin{cases} \lim_{r, r'} F[\psi^r(a, \bar{s}, s)\psi^{r'}(b, \bar{t}, t)] & \text{if } \bar{s} > \alpha \text{ and } \bar{t} > \beta, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\|F\| = \int \int_{s \neq a; t \neq b} d|\lambda|(s, t).$$

The proof is given in [5, p. 257]. We may transform the integral for Fx by parts in a particularly simple fashion because λ vanishes everywhere on the boundary of I [5, p. 518].

5. **Factors of operators.** Let $\mathfrak{J}(X, Y)$ denote the space of linear continuous maps on X to Y , with norm

$$\|T\| = \sup_{x \in X; \|x\|=1} \|Fx\|, \quad T \in \mathfrak{J}(X, Y),$$

where X and Y are normed linear spaces. The space $\mathfrak{J}(X, Y)$ is determined by X and Y . A description of much of our knowledge about $\mathfrak{J}(X, Y)$ for specific spaces X, Y is given in [2, Chapters 4, 6]. If Y is the number system, then $\mathfrak{J}(X, Y) = X^*$, the case considered heretofore.

If $T \in \mathfrak{J}(X, Y)$, this fact alone sometimes permits us to acquire an explicit expression for $Tx, x \in X$. The space $\mathfrak{J}(X, Y)$, however, may be so complicated that we have no practicable universal method for expressing T in standard useful form.

An analysis of an individual T into factors may be useful. If $T = QU$, where Q and U are linear operators, then $Tx = 0$ whenever $Ux = 0, x \in X$. Conversely, if $Tx = 0$ whenever $Ux = 0, x \in X$, where U is a linear continuous operator, we may ask whether a linear continuous operator Q exists such that $T = QU$.

THEOREM 8. *Suppose that X, \tilde{X}, Y are Banach spaces, that*

$$T \in \mathfrak{J}(X, Y), \quad U \in \mathfrak{J}(X, \tilde{X}), \quad \tilde{X} = UX.$$

If $Tx = 0$ whenever $Ux = 0, x \in X$, then there exists a unique linear continuous operator $Q \in \mathfrak{J}(\tilde{X}, Y)$ such that

$$(17) \quad Tx = QUx \quad \text{for all } x \in X.$$

The proof is given in [5, p. 311].

That Q is continuous is an important part of the conclusion, for continuity of Q means that the factorization $T = QU$ involves no loss of smoothness. Continuity of Q implies the sharp appraisal

$$\|Tx\| \leq \|Q\| \|Ux\|, \quad x \in X,$$

where $\|Q\| < \infty$.

Theorem 8 depends on Banach's theorem of 1929 on the continuity of the inverse of a linear continuous operator [1, p. 41], [5, p. 307]. Completeness of the spaces enters.

Suppose that the hypothesis in Theorem 8 is lightened in that we do not require X , \bar{X} , Y to be complete. We may then complete X and Y , and T and U . Thereafter put $\bar{X} = UX$. Then the hypothesis of Theorem 8 will be in force except in one respect: the normed linear space \bar{X} may not be complete. Then the conclusion of Theorem 8 will be in force except in one respect: the linear operator Q will exist and be closed but perhaps not continuous.

A plan for the analysis of $T \in \mathfrak{S}(X, Y)$, where X and Y are Banach spaces, is as follows. Seek a linear continuous operator U on X to some normed linear space such that $Tx = 0$ whenever $Ux = 0$, $x \in X$. Then ascertain whether UX is complete.

In the past, U has often been taken as n -fold differentiation: $U = D^n$, when $X = C_n(I)$, $I \subset \mathbb{R}$. The condition $Ux = 0$ then means that x is a polynomial of degree $n-1$ on I . In other instances U may be a homogeneous differential operator of order n , as in the next theorem. Alternatively, U may be a homogeneous difference operator or a mixed differential and difference operator. Further instances are given in [5, pp. 314, 315].

THEOREM 9. Consider $x \in C_n(I)$, $I = \{s: \alpha \leq s \leq \bar{\alpha}\}$. In the approximation of $x(t)$, $t \in I$, by a solution of the differential equation

$$y_n + a^1 y_{n-1} + \cdots + a^n y = 0, \quad a^1, \cdots, a^n \in C_0(I),$$

according to the criterion of least squares relative to a nonnegative measure μ on I , the remainder is

$$(18) \quad (Rx)(t) = \int_I [x_n(s) + a^1(s)x_{n-1}(s) + \cdots + a^n(s)x(s)]\lambda(s, t) ds$$

for all $t \in I$,

where the kernel λ can be described explicitly in terms of μ and any set of n independent solutions of the differential equation.

A proof based on Theorem 8 and an explicit description of λ are given in [5, p. 321]. The equality (18) is an instance of (17) with

$$U = D^n + a^1 D^{n-1} + \cdots + a^{n-1} D + a^n.$$

Theorem 9 is due to Radon [3]; cf. Rémès [4] and Widder [7]. What I should like to note particularly is that the theory of Banach spaces may be used to obtain explicit expressions for remainders in approximation.

6. Appendix. Fubini's theorem is a powerful tool in the study of

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\bar{\alpha}} \int_{\beta}^{\bar{\beta}} x(s, t) df(s, t) = \int_{\alpha}^{\bar{\alpha}} \int_{\beta}^{\bar{\beta}} x(s, t) d_{s,t}f(s, t)$$

if the integrator factors, that is, if $d_{s,t}f(s, t) = dg(s)dh(t)$. Dually, one would expect to be able to evaluate the double integral by two single integrations if the integrand factors, that is, if $x(s, t) = y(s)z(t)$. This is indeed the case, at least under the hypothesis of the following theorem.

THEOREM 10. *Suppose that f is a function of bounded variation on I and that $y \in C(I_s)$, $z \in C(I_t)$, where $I = I_s \times I_t$, $I_s = [\alpha, \bar{\alpha}]$, $I_t = [\beta, \bar{\beta}]$. Then*

$$(19) \quad \int_{\alpha}^{\bar{\alpha}} \int_{\beta}^{\bar{\beta}} y(s)z(t) df(s, t) = \int_{\alpha}^{\bar{\alpha}} y(s) d_s \left[\int_{\beta}^{\bar{\beta}} z(t) d_t f(s, t) \right].$$

PROOF. Page references will be to [5, Chapter 12].

Put

$$g(s) = \int_{\beta}^{\bar{\beta}} z(t) d_t f(s, t);$$

g is well-defined, since $f(s, t)$ is of bounded variation on I_t for each fixed s [p. 525].

Consider a subdivision $\{(s^i, t^j)\}$, $i=0, \dots, m; j=0, \dots, n$; of I [p. 516]. Now

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta g(s^{i-1}) &= g(s^i) - g(s^{i-1}) = \int_{\beta}^{\bar{\beta}} z(t) d_t [f(s^i, t) - f(s^{i-1}, t)] \\ &= \int_{\beta}^{\bar{\beta}} \int_{s^{i-1}}^{s^i} z(t) d_{s,t}f(s, t), \end{aligned}$$

by [p. 518]. Hence

$$|\Delta g(s^{i-1})| \leq M \int_{\beta}^{\bar{\beta}} \int_{s^{i-1}}^{s^i} dv(s, t)$$

and

$$\sum_{i=1}^m |\Delta g(s^{i-1})| \leq Mv(\bar{\alpha}, \bar{\beta}).$$

where v is the total variation [p. 527] of f and

$$M = \sup_{t \in I_t} |z(t)|.$$

Hence g is of bounded variation and the right side of (19),

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\tilde{\alpha}} y(s) dg(s),$$

exists. The left side of (19) exists.

Put

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= \sum_{i,j \geq 1} y(s^i) z(t^j) [f(s^i, t^j) - f(s^{i-1}, t^j) - f(s^i, t^{j-1}) + f(s^{i-1}, t^{j-1})] \\ &= \sum_{i,j} y(s^i) z(t^j) \int_{s^{i-1}}^{s^i} \int_{t^{j-1}}^{t^j} d_{s,t} f(s, t) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\tau = \sum_{i \geq 1} y(s^i) [g(s^i) - g(s^{i-1})] = \sum_i y(s^i) \int_{\beta}^{\tilde{\beta}} \int_{s^{i-1}}^{s^i} z(t) d_{s,t} f(s, t).$$

We know that σ and τ approach the left and right sides of (19) as the norm of the subdivision approaches zero. It is therefore sufficient to show that $\sigma - \tau \rightarrow 0$. But

$$\sigma - \tau = \sum_{i,j} y(s^i) \int_{s^{i-1}}^{s^i} \int_{t^{j-1}}^{t^j} [z(t^j) - z(t)] d_{s,t} f(s, t)$$

and

$$|\sigma - \tau| \leq \sup_{s \in I_s} |y(s)| \sup_{|t'-t| \leq \text{norm}} |z(t') - z(t)| v(\tilde{\alpha}, \tilde{\beta}) \rightarrow 0$$

as the norm of the subdivision $\rightarrow 0$. This completes the proof.

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