

RIESZ THEOREMS IN 2-INNER PRODUCT SPACES

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Abstract. In this paper we describe the proof of 'Riesz Theorems' in 2-inner product spaces. The main result holds only for a b -linear functional but not for a bilinear functional.

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1. Introduction

The concepts of 2-inner product and 2-inner product spaces have been intensively studied by many authors in the last three decades. A systematic presentation of the recent results related to the theory of 2-inner product spaces as well as an extensive list of the related references can be found in the book [1].

2. Preliminaries

Definition 2.1. ([4]) Let X be a real linear space of dimension greater than 1 and $\|.,.\|$ be a real valued function on $X \times X$ satisfying the properties,

A1 : $\|x, y\| = 0$ iff vectors x and y are linearly dependent.

A2 : $\|x, y\| = \|y, x\|$

A3 : $\|x, \alpha y\| = |\alpha| \|x, y\|$

A4 : $\|x, y + z\| \leq \|x, y\| + \|x, z\|$ for every $x, y, z \in X$ and $\alpha \in R$

then the function $\|.,.\|$ is called a 2-norm on X . The pair $(X, \|.,.\|)$ called linear 2-normed space.

Every 2-normed space is a locally convex TVS. In fact, for a fixed $b \in X$, $P_b(x) = \|x, b\|$, $x \in X$ is a seminorm and the family $\{P_b; b \in X\}$ of seminorms generates a locally convex topology on X .

Definition 2.2. ([4]) Let $(X, \|.,.\|)$ be a 2-normed space and $x, y \in X$ then x is said to be b -orthogonal to y iff there exists $b \in X$ such that for every α , $\|x, b\| \neq 0$, $\|x, b\| \leq \|x + \alpha y, b\|$ and $y \neq b$.

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Definition 2.3. ([4]) Let X be a linear space of dimension greater than 1 over the field K (either R or C). The function $\langle \cdot, \cdot; \cdot \rangle : X \times X \times X \rightarrow K$ is called a 2-inner product if the following conditions holds,

A1 : $\langle x, x; z \rangle \geq 0$ and $\langle x, x; z \rangle = 0$ iff x and z are linearly dependent.

A2 : $\langle x, x; z \rangle = \langle z, z; x \rangle$.

A3 : $\langle x, y; z \rangle = \langle y, x; z \rangle$.

A4 : $\langle \alpha x, y; z \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y; z \rangle$, for all scalars $\alpha \in K$.

A5 : $\langle x_1 + x_2, y; z \rangle = \langle x_1, y; z \rangle + \langle x_2, y; z \rangle$.

Therefore, the pair $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot; \cdot \rangle)$ is called a 2-inner product space.

Let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot; \cdot \rangle)$ be a 2-inner product space and $x, y, b \in X$ then $x \perp^b y$ iff $\langle x, y; b \rangle = 0$ [5].

We define a 2-norm on $X \times X$ by,

$$\|x, y\|^2 = \langle x, x; y \rangle.$$

Definition 2.4. ([3]) Let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot; \cdot \rangle)$ be a 2-inner product space over K . If $\{e_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ are linearly independent vectors in the 2-inner product space X , then $\{e_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ is called a b -orthonormal set if for $b \in X$, $\langle e_i, e_j; b \rangle = 0$ if $i \neq j$ and $\langle e_i, e_j; b \rangle = 1$ if $i = j$ where $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Definition 2.5. ([4]) Let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot; \cdot \rangle)$ be a 2-inner product space over K , $b \in X$, then

(a) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X is said to be a b -Cauchy sequence if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $N > 0$ such that for every $m, n \geq N$, $0 < \|x_n - x_m, b\| < \epsilon$.

(b) X is said to be b -Hilbert if every b -Cauchy sequence is convergent in the semi-normed space $(X, \|\cdot, b\|)$.

Theorem 2.6. Let $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n\}$ be a linearly independent subset of a 2-inner product space $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot; \cdot \rangle)$. For $b \in X$ there exists a b -orthonormal set $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n\}$ in X such that $\text{span}\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n\} = \text{span}\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n\}$.

Theorem 2.7 (Bessel's Inequality in 2-inner product spaces ([2])). Let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot; \cdot \rangle)$ be a 2-inner product space over the scalar field K , then

$$\sum_{i=1,2,\dots,n} |\langle x, e_i; b \rangle|^2 \leq \|x, b\|^2$$

which holds for any $x \in X$ whenever $e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n, b \in X$ are the vectors such that $b \in \text{span}\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n\}$ and $\langle e_i, e_j; b \rangle = 0$ if $i \neq j$ and $\langle e_i, e_j; b \rangle = 1$ if $i = j$ where $1 \leq i \leq n$. Also, the equality holds iff $x = u + \gamma b$ for some $u \in \text{span}\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n\}$ and some $\gamma \in K$.

Theorem 2.8 (Cauchy Schwartz Inequality) [1, 2, 3]. Let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot; \cdot \rangle)$ be a 2-inner product space over the scalar field K , then

$$|\langle x, y; z \rangle| \leq \|x, z\| \|y, z\|$$

for every $x, y, z \in X$

Theorem 2.9. Let $\{e_\alpha\}$ be a b -orthonormal set in a 2-inner product space X and $x, b \in X$, then $E_x = \{e_\alpha; \langle x, e_\alpha; b \rangle = 0\}$ is countable.

3. Main Results

Throughout this section we assume that X is a vector space of dimension greater than 1.

Definition 3.1. Let $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a 2-normed space. Let W be a subspace of X , $b \in X$ be fixed, then a map $T : W \times \langle b \rangle \rightarrow K$ is called a b -linear functional on $W \times \langle b \rangle$ whenever for every $x, y \in W$ and $k \in K$ holds

1. $T(x+y, b) = T(x, b) + T(y, b)$,
2. $T(kx, b) = k T(x, b)$.

A b -linear functional $T : W \times \langle b \rangle \rightarrow K$ is said to be bounded if there exists a real number $M > 0$ such that $|T(x, b)| \leq M \|x, b\|$ for every $x \in W$.

The norm of the b -linear functional $T : W \times \langle b \rangle \rightarrow K$ is defined by

$$\|T\| = \inf \{M > 0; |T(x, b)| \leq M \|x, b\|, \forall x \in W\}$$

It can be seen that,

$$\|T\| = \sup \{|T(x, b)|; \|x, b\| \leq 1\}$$

$$\|T\| = \sup \{|T(x, b)|; \|x, b\| = 1\}$$

$$\|T\| = \sup \{|T(x, b)| / \|x, b\|; \|x, b\| \neq 0\}$$

and $|T(x, b)| \leq \|T\| \|x, b\|$

For a 2-normed space $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ and $0 \neq b \in X$, X_b^* denote the Banach space of all bounded b -linear functionals on $X \times \langle b \rangle$, where $\langle b \rangle$ is the subspace of X generated by 'b'.

Theorem 3.2. Let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot; \cdot \rangle)$ be a 2-inner product space and $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots\}$ be a b -orthonormal set in X and $k_1, k_2, k_3, \dots \in K$ then,

(i) If $\sum_n k_n e_n$ converges to some x in the semi-normed space $(X, \|\cdot, b\|)$, then $\langle x, e_i; b \rangle = k_i$ for each n and $\sum_n |k_n|^2 < \infty$.

(ii) If X is a b -Hilbert space and $\sum_n |k_n|^2 < \infty$ then $\sum_n k_n e_n$ converges to some x in the semi-normed space $(X, \|\cdot, b\|)$.

Proof. (i) If $\sum_n k_n e_n$ converges to some x in X , then $x = \sum_n k_n e_n$. Since $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots\}$ is a b -orthonormal set in X , we get $\langle x, e_i; b \rangle = k_i$ for each i . Therefore, by Theorem 2.8, $\sum_n |k_n|^2 = \|x, b\|^2 < \infty$.

(ii) For $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, let $x_m = \sum_{n=1}^m k_n e_n$.

Therefore, $m > j$, $x_m - x_j = \sum_{n=j+1}^m k_n e_n$.

We have $\|x_m - x_j, b\|^2 = \langle x_m - x_j, x_m - x_j; b \rangle = \sum_{n=j+1}^m |k_n|^2 < \infty$.

Therefore, $\{x_m\}$ is a b -Cauchy sequence in $(X, \|\cdot, b\|)$. Since X is a b -Hilbert space, $\{x_m\}$ converges to some x in X . \square

Theorem 3.3. Let $\{e_\alpha\}$ be a b -orthonormal basis in a b -Hilbert space X , then for every x in X , $x = \sum_n \langle x, e_n; b \rangle e_n$.

Proof. Since $\{e_\alpha\}$ is a b -orthonormal basis in a 2-inner product space X , $\{e_\alpha\}$ is a countable set, say $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots\}$.

By Theorem 2.8, we have, $\sum |\langle x, e_n; b \rangle|^2 \leq \|x, .b\|^2 < \infty \Rightarrow |\langle x, e_n; b \rangle|^2$ converges to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Therefore, by Theorem 3.2(ii), $\sum_n \langle x, e_n; b \rangle e_n$ converges to some y in X .

That is, $y = \sum_n \langle x, e_n; b \rangle e_n$.

Also, $\langle y, e_n; b \rangle = \langle \sum_n \langle x, e_i; b \rangle e_i, e_n; b \rangle = \langle x, e_n; b \rangle$.

This implies $\langle x - y, e_n; b \rangle = 0$. So, $(x - y) \perp^b e_n$ for all n .

If $y \neq x$ then let $u = (x - y) / \|x - y, b\| \Rightarrow \|u, b\| = 1$. Since $(x - y) \perp^b e_n$ for all n , $\langle u, e_n; b \rangle = 0$. Therefore, $\{e_n\} \cup \{u\}$ is a b -orthonormal set in X , which contradicts the maximality of the b -orthonormal set $\{e_\alpha\}$. So, $y = x$. Hence, $x = \sum_n \langle x, e_n; b \rangle e_n$. \square

Definition 3.4. Let X be a vector space over K . Let $b \in X$ and $y_1, y_2 \in X$, then y_1 is said to be b -congruent to y_2 iff $(y_1 - y_2) \in \langle b \rangle$ is the subspace generated by b .

Theorem 3.5. Let X be a b -Hilbert space and $T \in X_b^*$ then there exists a unique $y \in X$ up to b -congruence such that $T(x, b) = \langle x, y; b \rangle$ and $\|T\| = \|y, b\|$.

Proof. Let $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots\}$ be a b -orthonormal set.

For $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ let $y_m = \sum_{n=1}^m T(e_n, b)e_n$.

Since $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots\}$ is a b -orthonormal set,

$$\|y_m, .b\|^2 = \sum_{n=1}^m |T(e_n, b)|^2 = \beta_m.$$

Also, $T(y_m, b) = \sum_{n=1}^m |T(e_n, b)|^2 = \beta_m$.

Since T is bounded, $|T(e_n, b)| \leq \|y_m, .b\| \Rightarrow \beta_m \leq \|T\|^2$.

Letting $m \rightarrow \infty$, $\sum_n |T(e_n, b)|^2 \leq \|T\|^2 < \infty$.

Let $\{e_\alpha\}$ be a b -orthonormal basis for X . Set $E_T = \{\{e_\alpha\}; T(e_\alpha, b) \neq 0\}$ is countable and let $E_T = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots\}$. Then $\sum_n |T(e_n, b)|^2 < \infty$. Therefore, by Theorem 3.2(ii), $\sum_n T(e_n, b)e_n$ converges in X .

Let $y = \sum_n T(e_n, b)e_n$.

Claim: $T(x, b) = \langle x, y; b \rangle$ for every x in X .

Let $x \in X$, then $\{e_\alpha; \langle x, e_\alpha; b \rangle \neq 0\}$ is countable (see Theorem 2.9). Let it be $\{s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots\}$. Then $x = \sum_m \langle x, s_m; b \rangle s_m \Rightarrow T(x, b) = \sum_m \langle x, s_m; b \rangle T(s_m, b)$. To prove the claim it is sufficient to show that $T(x, b) = \langle s_m, y; b \rangle$ for $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Fix m and let $\langle s_m, y; b \rangle = \sum_n T(e_n, b) \langle s_m, e_n; b \rangle$. If $s_m = e_{n_0}$ for some n_0 , then $\langle s_m, y; b \rangle = T(e_{n_0}, b) = T(s_m, b)$. If $s_m \neq e_n$ for some n , then $\langle s_m, y; b \rangle = 0$, implying $T(s_m, b) = 0$. Therefore, $T(s_m, b) = \langle x, y; b \rangle$ for all m . Hence $T(x, b) = \langle x, y; b \rangle$.

Let us prove the uniqueness of such y .

Let $y_1, y_2 \in X$ such that $T(x, b) = \langle x, y_1; b \rangle$ and $T(x, b) = \langle x, y_2; b \rangle$. This gives $\langle x, y_1; b \rangle = \langle x, y_2; b \rangle$, which implies $\langle x, y_1 - y_2; b \rangle = 0$ for all x in X .

In particular, $\langle y_1 - y_2, y_1 - y_2; b \rangle = 0$, so $y_1 - y_2 = kb$ for some $k \in K$, implying $y_1 - y_2 \in \langle b \rangle$

Therefore y is unique up to b -congruence.

It can be easily shown that $\|T\| = \|y, b\|$.

If $T = 0$, then $T(x, b) = 0$ for every x . Also $\Rightarrow \langle x, y; b \rangle = 0$ for every x , so y and b are linearly dependent $\Rightarrow \|y, b\| = 0$.

Therefore, $\|y, b\| = 0 = \|0, b\| = \|T\|$.

If $T \neq 0$, then $T(x, b) \neq 0$ for all x , which gives $\langle x, y; b \rangle \neq 0$ for every x .

So, $y \neq 0$ or y and b are linearly independent.

Therefore, $\|y, b\|^2 = \langle y, y; b \rangle = T(y, b) \leq \|T\| \|y, b\|$.

So,

$$(1) \quad \|y, b\| \leq \|T\|$$

and, by Cauchy Schwartz Inequality, $T(x, b) = |\langle x, y; b \rangle| \leq \|x, b\| \|y, b\|$, which gives

$$(2) \quad \|T\| = \sup \{|T(x, b)|; \|x, b\| = 1\} = \sup |\langle x, y; b \rangle| \leq \|y, b\|.$$

From (1) and (2) we get $\|T\| = \|y, b\|$.

Hence the theorem. \square

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