

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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