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Analisi funzionale. — *Cesàro-Hilbert-Schmidt operators.* Nota di G.H. CONSTANTIN, presentata (*) dal Socio G. SANSONE.

RIASSUNTO. — Si generalizza la classe degli operatori di Hilbert-Schmidt introducendo la classe degli operatori di Cesàro-Hilbert-Schmidt.

1. One of the important classes of operators studied intensively in functional analysis is the class of Hilbert-Schmidt operators. Our aim in the present Note is to give a generalization of this class of operators introducing the Cesàro-Hilbert-Schmidt operators. We consider only the case of Hilbert spaces.

2. Let H_1 and H_2 be separable Hilbert spaces.

DEFINITION 2.1. An operator $T: H_1 \rightarrow H_2$ is called of Cesàro-Hilbert-Schmidt type if for every orthonormal basis of H_1 , $\{e_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ we have

$$(I) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|Te_k\| \right)^2 < \infty.$$

LEMMA 2.1. Every Hilbert-Schmidt operator is of Cesàro-Hilbert-Schmidt type.

Proof. We have, from well-known properties of such operators, that

$$\|T\|_2^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|Te_k\|^2.$$

Since for $p \geq 1$ we have

$$\left(\sum_{k=1}^n |a_k| \right)^p \leq n^{p-1} \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k|^p$$

then

$$\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|Te_k\| \right)^2 \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|Te_k\|^2$$

and thus

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|Te_k\| \right)^2 \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \|Te_k\|^2 \right) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \|T\|_2^2 < \infty$$

which proves our assertion.

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We prove now the following

LEMMA 2.2. *Every Cesàro-Hilbert-Schmidt operator is compact.*

Proof. We use the Pelczyński device [3]. For every orthonormal basis we have that $\|Te_k\| \rightarrow 0$ for $k \rightarrow \infty$.

If this is not so, then there would exist $\varepsilon > 0$ and an orthonormal sequence $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ such that $\|Te_n\| > \varepsilon$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Therefore

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|Te_k\| \right)^2 > \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} n\varepsilon \right)^2$$

which is a clear contradiction.

With this Lemma we can prove the following:

THEOREM 2.1. *The necessary and sufficient condition such that $T: H_1 \rightarrow H_2$ be of Cesàro-Hilbert-Schmidt type is that T be of the form*

$$(2) \quad Tf = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \langle f, e_n \rangle h_n$$

where $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^\infty, \{h_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ are orthonormal basis of H_1, H_2 respectively, $\lambda_n \geq 0$ and such that

$$(3) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \right)^2 < \infty.$$

Proof. If T is of Cesàro-Hilbert-Schmidt type then from Lemma 2.2, T is compact and therefore T has the form

$$Tf = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \langle f, e_n \rangle h_n$$

where $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ are eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalues $\{\lambda_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ of the positive compact part S of the polar decomposition $T = US$. Since $Te_k = \lambda_k h_k$ it is clear that the condition is necessary.

Conversely, if this is so, then T is compact. Indeed, $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0, n \rightarrow \infty$ since in the contrary case there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\lambda_k > \varepsilon, k = 1, 2, \dots$

and thus $\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k > \varepsilon n$ and therefore

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \right)^2 > \varepsilon^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} = \infty$$

which is a contradiction.

From the relation (2) and since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n = 0$ we conclude that T is a compact operator for which the relation (1) is satisfied.

PROPOSITION 2.1. *The set of Cesàro-Hilbert-Schmidt operators is a linear space.*

Proof. If S and T are Cesàro–Hilbert–Schmidt operators then $S + T$ is also of the same type. Indeed, if we denote by $\sigma_n(\|Se_k\|) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|Se_k\|$ then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|(S+T)e_k\| \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \leq \\ & \leq \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n (\|Se_k\| + \|Te_k\|) \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} = \\ & = \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sigma_n(\|Se_k\|)}{n^{1/2}} + \frac{\sigma_n(\|Te_k\|)}{n^{1/2}} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \leq \\ & \leq \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sigma_n(\|Se_k\|)}{n^{1/2}} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} + \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sigma_n(\|Te_k\|)}{n^{1/2}} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} = \\ & = \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|Se_k\| \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} + \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|Te_k\| \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that λT is a Cesàro–Hilbert–Schmidt operator for every scalar λ and T a Cesàro–Hilbert–Schmidt operator.

PROPOSITION 2.2. *If S is a bounded linear operator and T a Cesàro–Hilbert–Schmidt operator then ST is a Cesàro–Hilbert–Schmidt operator.*

Proof. If $\{e_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is an orthonormal basis of H_1 we have

$$\left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|STe_k\| \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \leq \|S\| \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \|Te_k\| \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} < \infty.$$

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