Chapter 12

Week12

12.1. Monday for MAT3040

12.1.1. Remarks on Normal Operator

Proposition 12.1 If *T* is normal, then

- 1. ||T(v)|| = ||T'(v)|| for any $v \in V$
- 2. $(T \lambda I)$ is normal for any $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$
- 3. $T(\mathbf{v}) = \lambda \mathbf{v}$ if and only if $T'(\mathbf{v}) = \overline{\lambda} \mathbf{v}$
- 4. If $T(\mathbf{v}) = \lambda \mathbf{v}$ and $T(\mathbf{w}) = \mu \mathbf{w}$ with $\lambda \neq \mu$, then $\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = 0$.
- *Proof.* (3) For the forward direction, if $(T \lambda I)\mathbf{v} = 0$, then by part (2), $(T \lambda I)$ is normal, which follows that

$$\|(T - \lambda I)'(\mathbf{v})\| = 0 \implies (T - \lambda I)'(\mathbf{v}) = 0 \implies T'\mathbf{v} = \bar{\lambda}\mathbf{v}.$$

For the reverse direction, suppose that (T' − λ̄I)v = 0. Since T is normal, we imply T' is normal. Then by part (2), (T' − λ̄I) is normal. By applying the same trick,

$$(T' - \overline{\lambda}I)' \mathbf{v} = 0 \implies ((T')' - \overline{\lambda}I) \mathbf{v} = 0.$$

By hw4, (T')' = T. Therefore, $(T - \lambda I)\mathbf{v} = 0$.

(4) Observe that

$$\lambda \langle \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = \langle \bar{\lambda} \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w} \rangle \xrightarrow{\text{by (3)}} \lambda \langle \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = \langle T'(\boldsymbol{v}), \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = \langle \boldsymbol{v}, T(\boldsymbol{w}) \rangle = \langle \boldsymbol{v}, \mu \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = \mu \langle \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w} \rangle$$

Since $\lambda \neq \mu$, we imply $\langle \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = 0$. The proof is complete.

Theorem 12.1 Let *T* be an operator on a finite dimensional $(\dim(V) = n)$ C-inner product vector space *V* satisfying T'T = TT'. Then there is an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors of *V*, i.e., an orthonormal basis of *V* such that any element from this basis is an eigenvector of *T*.

Proof. Since $X_T(x)$ must have a root in \mathbb{C} , there must exist an eigen-pair (\mathbf{v}, λ) of T.

• Construct $U = \text{span}\{v\}$, and it follows that

$$T\mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v} \implies U$$
 is *T*-invariant.
 $T'\mathbf{v} = \bar{\lambda}\mathbf{v} \implies U$ is *T'*-invariant.

• Moreover, we claim that U^{\perp} is *T* and *T'* invariant: let $w \in U^{\perp}$, and for all $u \in U$, we have

$$\langle \boldsymbol{u}, T(\boldsymbol{w}) \rangle = \langle T'(\boldsymbol{u}), \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = \langle \overline{\lambda} \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = \lambda \langle \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = 0,$$

i.e., U^{\perp} is *T* invariant.

$$\langle \boldsymbol{u}, T'(\boldsymbol{w}) \rangle = \langle T(\boldsymbol{u}), \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = \langle \lambda \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = \bar{\lambda} \langle \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} \rangle = 0,$$

which implies U^{\perp} is T' invariant.

• Therefore, we construct the operator $T \mid_{U^{\perp}} : U^{\perp} \to U^{\perp}$, and

$$TT' = T'T \implies (T\mid_{U^{\perp}})(T'\mid_{U^{\perp}}) = (T'\mid_{U^{\perp}})(T\mid_{U^{\perp}}),$$

i.e., $(T \mid_{U^{\perp}})$ is normal on U^{\perp} . Moreover, dim $(U^{\perp}) = n - 1$.

• Applying the same trick as in Theorem (??), we imply there exists an orthonormal

basis $\{e_2, \ldots, e_n\}$ of eigenvectors of $(T \mid_{U^{\perp}})$. Then we can argue that

$$\mathcal{B} = \{ \boldsymbol{v}' = \boldsymbol{v} / \| \boldsymbol{v} \|, \boldsymbol{e}_2, \dots, \boldsymbol{e}_{k+1} \}$$

is a basis of orthonormal eigenvectors of V.

Corollary 12.1 [Spectral Theorem for Normal Operator] Let $T: V \to V$ be a normal operator on a C-inner product space with $\dim(V) < \infty$. Then there exists self-adjoint operators P_1, \ldots, P_k such that

$$P_i^2 = P_i, \quad P_i P_j = 0, i \neq j, \quad \sum_{i=1}^k P_i = I,$$

and $T = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \lambda_i P_i$, where λ_i 's are the eigenvalues of T.

These P_i 's are the **orthogonal projections** from *V* to the λ_i -eigenspace ker($T - \lambda_i I$) of *T*, denoted as

$$P_i = \prod_{\ker(T-\lambda_i I)} (T), \ i = 1, \dots, k.$$

You should know how to compute P_i 's when $T(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}$ in the course MAT2040.

Proof. Since *T* has a basis of eigenvectors, by definition, *T* is diagonalizable. By proposition (8.2),

$$m_T(x) = (x - \lambda_1) \cdots (x - \lambda_k),$$

where λ_i 's are distinct. By spectral decomposition corollary (??), it suffices to show P_i 's are self-disjoint.

• Recall that $P_i = a_i(T)q_i(T) := b_m T^m + \dots + b_1 T + b_0 T$, i.e., a polynomial of *T*, and therefore

$$P'_i = \bar{b}_m(T')^m + \dots + \bar{b}_1(T') + \bar{b}_0 I.$$

We claim that P_i is normal: Since T'T = TT', we imply

$$(T')^pT^q=T^q(T')^p, \forall p,q\in\mathbb{N}$$

which follows that

$$P_i P'_i = (b_m T^m + \dots + b_0 I)(\bar{b}_m (T')^m + \dots + \bar{b}_1 (T') + \bar{b}_0 I)$$

= $\sum_{1 \le x, y \le m} b_x \bar{b}_y (T)^x (T')^y$
= $\sum_{1 \le x, y \le m} \bar{b}_y b_x (T')^y (T)^x$
= $(\bar{b}_m (T')^m + \dots + \bar{b}_1 (T') + \bar{b}_0 I)(b_m T^m + \dots + b_0 I)$
= $P'_i P_i$

In general, *S* is self-adjoint, which implies *S* is normal, but not vice versa. However, the converse holds if further all eigenvalues of *S* are real numbers:
By Theorem (12.1), we imply *S* is orthonormally diagonalizable, and its diagonal representation is of the form

$$(S)_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{B}} = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_k).$$

Note that \mathcal{B} is also a basis for S' and elements of \mathcal{B} are eigenvalues of S', by part (3) in proposition (12.1). Therefore,

$$(S')_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{B}} = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_k).$$

Therefore, S = S'.

In particular, for $S = P_i$, we can easily show all eigenvalues of P_i are 0 or 1, which are real. Therefore, P_i 's are self-adjoint.

Corollary 12.2 Let $T: V \to V$ be a linear operator on \mathbb{C} -inner product space with $\dim(V) < \infty$. Then T is normal if and only if T' = f(T) for some polynomial $f(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x]$.

• For the reverse direction, if T' = f(T), then T'T = f(T)T = Tf(T) = TT'. Proof.

• For the forward direction, suppose that *T* is normal, then by corollary (12.1),

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \lambda_i P_i$$
, $P_i = f_i(T)$, where P_i 's are self-adjoint,

which follows that

$$T' = \left(\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i P_i\right)' = \sum_{i=1}^k \bar{\lambda}_i P_i' = \sum_{i=1}^k \bar{\lambda}_i P_i = \sum_{i=1}^k \bar{\lambda}_i f_i(T)$$

The normal operator is a generalization of Hermitian matrices, and it inherits many nice properties of Hermitian.

12.1.2. Tensor Product

Motivation. Let U, V, W be vector spaces. We want to study bilinear maps $f: U \times W \rightarrow W$ U, i.e.,

$$f(av_1 + bv_2, w) = af(v_1, w) + bf(v_2, w)$$
$$f(v, cw_1 + dw_2) = cf(v, w_1) + df(v, w_2)$$

Unfortunately, bilinear form usually is not a linear transformation!

- Example 12.1 Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ be with $(u, v) \mapsto \langle u, v \rangle$. Let $f : M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F}) \times M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F}) \to M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ be with f(A, B) = AB.
 - Let $f: \mathbb{F}[x] \times \mathbb{F}[x] \to \mathbb{F}$ be with f(p(x), q(x)) = p(1)q(2)

• Let $f : \mathbb{F}[x] \times \mathbb{F}[x] \to \mathbb{F}[x]$ be with f(p(x), q(x)) = p(x)q(x).