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Let $V = \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ with a standard inner product

Let $W = \mathbb{R}^2$ with inner product:

$$\left\langle \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle = xx' - xy' - x'y + 2yy'$$

Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear operator

$$\forall A \in V : T(A) = C_1(A) + C_2(A)$$

2a

Find T^*

Solution:

Standard basis of $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ is an orthonormal basis of V

$$\forall w \in W : T^*(w) = \sum_{i=1}^4 \langle w, T(e_i) \rangle e_i$$

$$T(e_1) = T(e_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(e_3) = T(e_4) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow T^* \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} &= \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle (e_1 + e_2) + \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle (e_3 + e_4) = \\ &= (x - y)(e_1 + e_2) + (2y - x)(e_3 + e_4) = \begin{pmatrix} x - y & x - y \\ 2y - x & 2y - x \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

2b

Find an orthonormal basis of $\ker T$

Solution:

Let $S = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$ be a standard basis of V

$$\ker T \subseteq V$$

$$T(e_1) = T(e_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(e_3) = T(e_4) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall v \in V : T(v) = T(\alpha e_1 + \beta e_2 + \gamma e_3 + \delta e_4) = (\alpha + \beta) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + (\gamma + \delta) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(v) = 0 \iff \begin{cases} \alpha = -\beta \\ \gamma = -\delta \end{cases} \iff v = \alpha(e_1 - e_2) + \gamma(e_3 - e_4)$$

$$\iff v \in \text{sp} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle = \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

\Rightarrow This is an orthogonal basis of $\ker T$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^2 = \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^2 = \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{An orthonormal basis of } \ker T \text{ is } \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

3a.1

Let $J \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ be a Jordan form matrix

Prove: $J \sim J^T$

Proof:

Let A be a Jordan block of size m

$$A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}, A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & & & \\ 1 & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & 1 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\implies P_{A^T}(x) = (x - \lambda)^m$$

$$x = \lambda \implies xI - A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & \\ -1 & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \implies \text{rank}(xI - A^T) = m - 1$$

$$\implies g_\lambda = 1 \implies J_{A^T} = J_m(\lambda) = A$$

$$\implies A^T \sim J_{A^T} = A$$

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & & \\ & J_2 & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & J_k \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where } \forall i \in [1, k] : J_i \text{ is a Jordan block}$$

$$J^T = \begin{pmatrix} J_1^T & & \\ & J_2^T & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & J_k^T \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\forall i \in [1, k] : J_i \sim J_i^T$$

$$\text{Let } P = \begin{pmatrix} P_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & P_k \end{pmatrix} \text{ such that } \forall i \in [1, k] : J_i = P_i J_i^T P_i^{-1}$$

$$\implies P^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} P_1^{-1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & P_k^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\implies PJP^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} P_1 J_1 P_1^{-1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & P_k J_k P_k^{-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} J_1^T & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & J_k^T \end{pmatrix} = J^T$$

$$\implies \boxed{J \sim J^T}$$

3a.2

Prove: $\forall A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} : A \sim A^T$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \exists Q : A = QJ_AQ^{-1} \\
 \implies & A^T = (Q^{-1})^T J_A^T Q^T \\
 \text{By 3a.1: } & \exists P : J_A^T = PJ_AP^{-1} \\
 \implies & A^T = (Q^{-1})^T PJ_AP^{-1}Q^T \\
 & (Q^{-1})^T P \cdot P^{-1}Q^T = (Q^{-1})^T Q^T = (QQ^{-1})^T = I^T = I \\
 & P^{-1}Q^T \cdot (Q^{-1})^T P = P^{-1}(QQ^{-1})^T P = P^{-1}I^T P = P^{-1}P = I \\
 \implies & A^T \sim J_A \sim A \implies \boxed{A^T \sim A}
 \end{aligned}$$

3b

Let V be a finite-dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{C}

Let $T : V \rightarrow V$ be a diagonalizable linear operator

Prove: \exists inner product on V such that T is normal

Proof:

T is diagonalizable $\implies \exists B$ basis of V such that $[T]_B^B$ is diagonal

Let $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$

Let $\forall i, j \in [1, n] : \langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$

$$\implies G_B = I \implies \forall v, u \in V : \langle v, u \rangle = [v]_B^T G_B \overline{[u]_B} = [v]_B^T \overline{[u]_B}$$

$G_B = I \implies B$ is an orthonormal basis of V

$[T]_B^B$ is diagonal and B is orthonormal $\implies T$ is unitary diagonalizable $\implies \boxed{T \text{ is normal}}$

4a

Let V be a finite-dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R}

Let $T : V \rightarrow V$ be an anti-Hermitian linear operator

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Prove or disprove: T is diagonalizable

Disproof:

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ with standard inner product

Let $T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -y \\ x \end{pmatrix}$

$$\forall v, u \in V : \langle Tv, u \rangle = \left\langle T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} z \\ w \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} -y \\ x \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} z \\ w \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle = -yz + xw$$

$$\langle Tv, u \rangle = \langle v, T^*u \rangle = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, T^* \begin{pmatrix} z \\ w \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle = x \cdot a + y \cdot b \implies T^* \begin{pmatrix} z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w \\ -z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\implies T^* \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ -x \end{pmatrix} = -T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \implies T^* = -T$$

T is anti-Hermitian

$$[T]_S^S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \implies P_T(x) = P_{[T]_S^S}(x) = x^2 + 1$$

$\implies P_T(x)$ is not factorizable into linear factors over \mathbb{R}

$\implies T$ is not diagonalizable over \mathbb{R}

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Prove or disprove: T^2 is diagonalizable

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall v \in V : \langle T^2 v, v \rangle &= \langle v, (T^*)^2 v \rangle \\ (T^*)^2 &= (-T)^2 = T^2 \\ \implies (T^2)^* &= (T^*)^2 = T^2 \implies T^2 \text{ is Hermitian} \end{aligned}$$

Let B be an orthonormal basis of V

$$\begin{aligned} \implies [T^2]_B^B &= [(T^2)^*]_B^B = ([T^2]_B^B)^* = ([T^2]_B^B)^T \implies [T^2]_B^B \text{ is symmetric} \\ \implies [T^2]_B^B &\text{ is orthogonal diagonalizable} \implies \boxed{T^2 \text{ is diagonalizable}} \end{aligned}$$

4b

Let V be a finite-dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{C}

Let W be a subspace of V

Prove or disprove: $\forall w \in W, \forall v \in V : \langle v, w \rangle = \langle P_W(v), w \rangle$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } w \in W, v \in V \\ v &= \underbrace{P_W(v)}_{\in W} + \underbrace{(v - P_W(v))}_{\in W^\perp} \\ \implies \langle v, w \rangle &= \langle P_W(v) + (v - P_W(v)), w \rangle = \langle P_W(v), w \rangle + \underbrace{\langle v - P_W(v), w \rangle}_{=0} = \langle P_W(v), w \rangle \end{aligned}$$

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Let V be a finite-dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R}

Let $T : V \rightarrow V$ be an idempotent linear operator

5a

Determine whether T is necessarily diagonalizable

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} T = T^2 &\implies T(T - I) = 0 \implies m_T(x) \mid x(x - 1) \\ \implies m_T(x) &= \begin{cases} x \\ (x - 1) \\ x(x - 1) \end{cases} \implies m_T(x) \text{ is factorizable into distinct linear factors} \\ &\implies \boxed{T \text{ is diagonalizable}} \end{aligned}$$

5b

Let U be a subspace of V

Prove: P_U is idempotent

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall v \in V : P_U(v) &\in U \\ \forall u \in U : P_U(u) &= u \\ \implies \forall v \in V : P_U^2(v) &= P_U(\underbrace{P_U(v)}_{\in U}) = P_U(v) \implies P_U^2 = P_U \end{aligned}$$

5c

Prove: $\text{Im}T = \ker(I - T)$

Proof:

Let $v \in \text{Im}T$

$$\begin{aligned} &\implies \exists u \in V : T(u) = v \implies T(T(u)) = v \implies T(v) = v \\ \implies v - T(v) &= 0 \implies I(v) - T(v) = 0 \implies (I - T)(v) = 0 \implies v \in \ker(I - T) \\ &\implies \text{Im}T \subseteq \ker(I - T) \\ &\text{Let } v \in \ker(I - T) \\ \implies (I - T)(v) &= 0 \implies v - T(v) = 0 \implies T(v) = v \implies v \in \text{Im}T \\ &\implies \ker(I - T) \subseteq \text{Im}T \implies \boxed{\text{Im}T = \ker(I - T)} \end{aligned}$$

5d

Let T be normal

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Prove: T is Hermitian

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} T \text{ is diagonalizable} &\implies \text{Its characteristic polynomial is factorizable into linear factors} \\ T \text{ is also normal} &\implies T \text{ is unitary diagonalizable} \\ &\implies \exists B \text{ orthonormal: } [T]_B^B \text{ is diagonal} \\ [T]_B^B \text{ is diagonal} &\implies [T]_B^B \text{ is symmetric} \\ [T]_B^B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} &\implies [T]_B^B \text{ is Hermitian} \\ &\implies \boxed{T \text{ is Hermitian}} \end{aligned}$$

2

Prove: $\exists W$ subspace of $V : \forall w \in W : T(w) = w$ and $\forall u \in W^\perp : T(u) = 0$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im}T = \ker(I - T) &\implies \boxed{\forall v \in \text{Im}T : v - T(v) = 0 \implies T(v) = v} \\ &\text{Let } W = \text{Im}T \\ &\text{Let } u \in W^\perp \\ &\implies \forall w \in W : \langle w, u \rangle = 0 \\ \forall v \in V : \underbrace{\langle T(v), u \rangle}_{\in W} &= \langle v, T^*(u) \rangle = 0 \\ T \text{ is Hermitian} &\implies \forall v \in V : \langle v, T^*(u) \rangle = \langle v, T(u) \rangle = 0 \\ &\implies T(u) = 0 \\ &\implies \boxed{\forall u \in W^\perp : T(u) = 0} \implies W^\perp \subseteq \ker T \end{aligned}$$

It is also possible to prove $W^\perp = \ker T$ if necessary