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1. Prove  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a positive semi-def operator.  
 Solve for all values of  $\vec{x}$  st  $\langle A\vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle = 0$ .

$A^* = A$ , so  $A$  is self adjoint  
 Consider  $\langle A\vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle$ , for some  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle A\vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle &= (A\vec{x})^T \vec{x} \\
 &= \vec{x}^T A^T \vec{x}, \text{ by } A^T = A \\
 &= \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}, \text{ since } A = A^T \\
 &= [x_1, x_2] \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= [x_1, x_2] \begin{bmatrix} 4x_1 + 2x_2 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= x_1(4x_1 + 2x_2) + x_2(2x_1 + x_2) \\
 &= 4x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + x_2^2 \\
 &= (2x_1 + x_2)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

≥ 0

equality when:  
 $(2x_1 + x_2)^2 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \Delta = 2x_1 + x_2 \Rightarrow \vec{x} = c(-1, -1/2)$

$$(2x_1 + x_2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 2x_1 + x_2 \Rightarrow \vec{x} = S \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_2 = s, x_1 = -\frac{1}{2}s$$

2. Prove if A and B are positive def., then so is  $(A+B)$ .

Suppose A and B are positive def.

$$\Rightarrow A, B \text{ self adjoint}, \langle Ax, x \rangle > 0, \langle Bx, x \rangle > 0.$$

$A+B$  is self adjoint, since the sum of self adj. matrices is self adjoint.

Consider  $\langle (A+B)\vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle$ , for some  $x \in V$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (A+B)\vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle &= \vec{x}^* (A+B)^* \vec{x} \\ &= \vec{x}^* (\underbrace{A^*}_{\text{by prop.}} + \underbrace{B^*}_{\text{}}) \vec{x} \\ &= \vec{x}^* (A^* \vec{x} + B^* \vec{x}) \\ &= \underbrace{\vec{x}^* A^* \vec{x}}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{\vec{x}^* B^* \vec{x}}_{\geq 0} \\ &= \langle Ax, x \rangle + \langle Bx, x \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow 0$ , since A and B are positive def.

3. Prove the sum of normal operators is normal.

Let  $N_1, N_2$  be normal operators.

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$$\text{i)} \quad N_1 = U_1 D_1 U_1^* \quad \begin{matrix} U_1 \text{ is unitary} \\ D_1 \text{ is diagonal.} \end{matrix}$$
$$N_2 = U_2 D_2 U_2^*$$

$$\text{ii)} \quad N_1 N_1^* = N_1^* N_1, \quad N_1 \text{ is normal.}$$
$$N_2 N_2^* = N_2^* N_2$$

$$\text{wt3: } (N_1 + N_2)^* (N_1 + N_2) = (N_1 + N_2)(N_1 + N_2)^*$$

$$(N_1 + \overleftarrow{N_2})^* (N_1 + N_2) = (N_1^* + N_2^*)(N_1 + N_2)$$
$$= \underline{N_1^* N_1 + N_1^* N_2 + N_2^* N_1} + \underline{N_2^* N_2}.$$

$$(N_1 + N_2)(N_1 + N_2)^* = (N_1 + N_2)(N_1^* + N_2^*)$$
$$= N_1 N_1^* + N_1 N_2^* + N_2 N_1^* + N_2 N_2^*$$
$$= \underline{N_1^* N_1} + \underline{N_1 N_2^*} + \underline{N_2 N_1^*} + \underline{N_2^* N_2}, \text{ by ii)}$$

$$\text{We need to show: } N_1^* N_2 + N_2^* N_1 = N_1 N_2^* + N_2 N_1^*$$

$$N_1^* N_2 = (U_1 D_1^* U_1^*)(U_2 D_2(U_2^*)) \quad , \text{ by i)}$$

$$N_1 N_2^* = (U_1 D_1 U_1^*)(U_2 D_2^*(U_2^*))$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{We need to show } D_1^* U_1^* U_2 D_2 = D_1 U_1^* U_2 D_2^*$$

$$\text{Since } D_1, D_2 \text{ are diagonal, } D_1^* = \overline{D_1}, D_2^* = \overline{D_2}$$

$$\text{also, } \underline{D_1^* D_2} = D_1 D_2^* \quad \text{since for complex numbers,}$$

$$\bar{x} \cdot y = x \cdot \bar{y}$$

Expanding each entry, we can see that

$$D_1^* U_1^* U_2 D_2 = D_1 U_1^* U_2 D_2^*$$

Thus,  $N_1^* N_2 = N_1 N_2^*$ , and by extension,  $N_2^* N_1 = N_2 N_1^*$

$$\text{Therefore, } N_1^* N_2 + N_2^* N_1 = N_1 N_2^* + N_2 N_1^*$$

$\Rightarrow$  we have the sum of normal operators  
is also normal.

QED.

4. Show that the number of non-zero singular values of a matrix  $A$  is equal to its rank.

$$\text{from HWA } \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^* A),$$

$$\text{we also have } A = W \Sigma V^*, \text{ by SVD.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^* A)$$

$$= \text{rank}\left((W \Sigma V^*)^* (W \Sigma V^*)\right)$$

$$= \text{rank}\left((V \Sigma^* W^*)(W \Sigma V^*)\right)$$

$$= \text{rank}(V \Sigma^* \Sigma V^*), \text{ since } W \text{ is orthogonal},$$

$$= \text{rank}(V \Sigma^2 V^*) \quad W^* W = I$$

$$, \text{ since } \Sigma \text{ is diagonal}$$

- $\text{rank}(U\Sigma V^T)$ , since  $\Sigma$  is diagonal
- =  $\text{rank}(\Sigma^2)$ , since  $U, U^*$  are orthogonal matrices, full rank.
- = # of non zero singular values, by def of  $\Sigma$ .

(QED).