

7.A Self-Adjoint and Normal Operators

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definition: adjoint, T^*

let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$. $T^*: W \rightarrow V$ s.t.

$$\langle T_v, w \rangle = \langle v, T^*w \rangle \quad \forall (v, w) \in V \times W$$

comment: Riesz representation theorem $\Rightarrow \exists$ unique u s.t. $\phi(v) = \langle v, u \rangle$

given w , let $\phi(v) = \langle T_v, w \rangle$ then T_w^* is such unique $u \Rightarrow$
 $\phi(v) = \langle v, T^*w \rangle \quad \forall v$

proposition: T^* is a linear map.

$$T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W) \Rightarrow T^* \in \mathcal{L}(W, V)$$

proof: let $v \in V$, $(w_1, w_2) \in W^2$, $\lambda \in F$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \langle v, T^*(w_1 + w_2) \rangle &= \langle T_v, w_1 + w_2 \rangle \\ &= \langle T_v, w_1 \rangle + \langle T_v, w_2 \rangle \\ &= \langle v, T^*w_1 \rangle + \langle v, T^*w_2 \rangle \\ &= \langle v, T^*w_1 + T^*w_2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow T^*(w_1 + w_2) = T^*w_1 + T^*w_2$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v, T^*(\lambda w) \rangle &= \langle T_v, \lambda w \rangle = \bar{\lambda} \langle T_v, w \rangle \\ &= \bar{\lambda} \langle v, T^*w \rangle = \langle v, \bar{\lambda} T^*w \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow T^*(\lambda w) = \lambda T^*w$$

properties of adjoint

$$(a) (S+T)^* = S^* + T^*$$

$$(b) (\lambda T)^* = \bar{\lambda} T^* \quad (\lambda \in F, T \in \mathcal{L}(V))$$

$$(c) (T^*)^* = T$$

$$(d) I^* = I \quad (\text{identity: } Iv := v)$$

$$(e) (ST)^* = T^*S^* \text{ where } S \in \mathcal{L}(V, W), T \in \mathcal{L}(W, U)$$

proof: (a) let $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v, (S+T)^*w \rangle &= \langle (S+T)v, w \rangle \\ &= \langle Sv, w \rangle + \langle Tv, w \rangle \\ &= \langle v, S^*w \rangle + \langle v, T^*w \rangle \\ &= \langle v, (S^* + T^*)w \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \langle v, (\lambda T)^*w \rangle &= \langle \lambda Tv, w \rangle = \lambda \langle Tv, w \rangle \\ &= \lambda \langle v, T^*w \rangle = \langle v, \bar{\lambda} T^*w \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c) \langle v, (T^*)^*w \rangle &= \langle T^*v, w \rangle = \overline{\langle w, T^*v \rangle} \\ &= \overline{\langle Tw, v \rangle} = \langle v, Tw \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$(d) \langle v, I^*w \rangle = \langle Iv, w \rangle = \langle v, w \rangle = \langle v, Iw \rangle$$

$$(e) \langle v, (ST)^*w \rangle = \langle STv, w \rangle = \langle Tv, S^*w \rangle = \langle v, T^*S^*w \rangle$$

Rank, Nullity of adjoint

$$(a) \ker(T^*) = (\operatorname{im}(T))^\perp$$

$$(b) \operatorname{im}(T^*) = (\ker(T))^\perp$$

$$(c) \ker(T) = (\operatorname{im}(T^*))^\perp$$

$$(d) \operatorname{im}(T) = (\ker(T^*))^\perp$$

proof: (a) let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, $w \in W$

$$w \in \ker(T^*) \Leftrightarrow T^*w = 0 \Leftrightarrow \langle v, T^*w \rangle = \langle Tv, w \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$$

$$\Leftrightarrow w \in (\operatorname{im}(T))^\perp$$

$$(a) \Leftrightarrow (d)$$

$$T \rightarrow T^* \Rightarrow (a) \Leftrightarrow (c)$$

definition: conjugate transpose of M_{ij} is $\overline{M_{ji}}$

theorem: let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, $\{e_i | i \in \mathbb{I}, n\}$ and $\{f_j | j \in \mathbb{J}, m\}$

are orthonormal basis sets of V and W

$$\mathcal{M}(T^*, f_j, e_i) = (\mathcal{M}(T, e_i, f_j))^t$$

proof: k th column of $\mathcal{M}(T)$ is $\mathcal{M}(T)_{\cdot k} = \mathcal{M}(Te_k) = A_{jk} f_j$

$$\text{orthonormality} \Rightarrow \langle f_i, f_j \rangle = \delta_{ij} \Rightarrow \langle Te_k, f_j \rangle = \langle A_{ik} f_i, f_j \rangle = A_{ik} \langle f_i, f_j \rangle$$

$$= A_{ik} \delta_{ij} = A_{jk}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{M}(T)_{\cdot k} = \langle Te_k, f_j \rangle f_j \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}(T)_{jk} = \langle Te_k, f_j \rangle$$

$$T \rightarrow T^*, e_i \leftrightarrow f_j:$$

$$\mathcal{M}(T^*)_{ik} = \langle T^* f_k, e_i \rangle = \langle f_k, Te_i \rangle = \overline{\langle Te_i, f_k \rangle} = \overline{\mathcal{M}(T)_{ki}} \quad \square$$

lemma: given $V(\mathbb{C})$, $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$

if $\langle Tv, v \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$, then $T = 0$

proof: if $\langle Tu, w \rangle = \langle T(u+w), u+w \rangle - \langle T(u-w), u-w \rangle$

$$+ i(\langle T(u+iw), u+iw \rangle - \langle T(u-iw), u-iw \rangle)$$

$$\forall (u, w) \in V^2$$

RHS is of the form $\langle Tv, v \rangle$

\Rightarrow if $\langle Tv, v \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$, then

$$\langle Tu, w \rangle = 0 \quad \forall (u, w) \in V^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{for } w = Tu: \langle Tu, w \rangle = \langle Tu, Tu \rangle \quad \forall u \in V$$

$$\Rightarrow \|Tu\| = 0 \quad \forall u \in V \Rightarrow T = 0 \quad \square$$

lemma: let $V(\mathbb{C})$, $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$

$$\langle Tv, v \rangle \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall v \in V \Leftrightarrow T = T^*$$

proof: let $v \in V$ then

$$\langle Tv, v \rangle - \overline{\langle Tv, v \rangle} = \langle Tv, v \rangle - \langle v, Tv \rangle = \langle (T - T^*)v, v \rangle$$

$$\text{if } \langle Tv, v \rangle \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \text{LHS} = 0 \Rightarrow \langle (T - T^*)v, v \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$$

$$\text{above lemma} \Rightarrow T - T^* = 0$$

$$\text{if } T = T^*, \Rightarrow \text{RHS} = 0 \Rightarrow \langle Tv, v \rangle = \overline{\langle Tv, v \rangle} \quad \forall v \in V$$

lemma: given $V(\mathbb{F})$, $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$.

$$\text{If } T = T^* \text{ and } \langle Tv, v \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$$

$$\text{then } T = 0$$

proof: $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$ is proven. \Rightarrow assume $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$

$$\langle T(u+v), u+w \rangle - \langle T(u-w), u-w \rangle$$

$$= \langle Tu, u+w \rangle + \langle Tw, u+w \rangle - \langle Tu, u-w \rangle + \langle Tw, u-w \rangle$$

$$= 2\langle Tu, w \rangle + 2\langle Tw, u \rangle, \quad (\langle Tu, w \rangle = \langle u, Tw \rangle = \langle Tw, u \rangle)$$

$$= 4\langle Tu, w \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle Tu, w \rangle = 0 \quad \forall (u, w) \in V^2. \text{ take } w = Tu \Rightarrow T = 0$$

definition: $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ is normal if $[T, T^*] = 0$

theorem: $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ is normal $\Leftrightarrow \|Tv\| = \|T^*v\| \quad \forall v \in V$

$$\text{proof: } [T, T^*] = 0 \Leftrightarrow \langle [T^*, T]v, v \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \langle T^*Tv, v \rangle - \langle TT^*v, v \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \langle Tv, Tv \rangle - \langle T^*v, T^*v \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$$

corollary: given normal $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$

$$\text{if } Tv = \lambda v \text{ then } T^*v = \bar{\lambda}v$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proof: } [T, T^*] = 0 &\Rightarrow [T - \lambda I, T^* - \bar{\lambda} I^*] = [T, T^* - \bar{\lambda} I^*] - [\lambda I, T^* - \bar{\lambda} I^*] \\ &= [T, T^*] = 0 \Rightarrow T - \lambda I \text{ is normal} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|(T - \lambda I)v\| = \|(T^* - \bar{\lambda} I^*)v\| \quad \forall v \in V$$

if v is eigenvector with λ : LHS = 0

$\Rightarrow v$ is also eigenvector of T^* with e-value $\bar{\lambda}$

theorem: let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ is normal then

e-vectors of T with distinct e-values are orthogonal

proof: $(u, v) \in V^2$, $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{F}^2$ s.t.

$$Tu = \alpha u, Tv = \beta v$$

$$[T, T^*] = 0 \Rightarrow T^*v = \bar{\beta}v$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha - \beta) \langle u, v \rangle = \langle \alpha u, v \rangle - \langle u, \bar{\beta}v \rangle$$

$$= \langle Tu, v \rangle - \langle u, T^*v \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if } \alpha - \beta \neq 0 \text{ then } \langle u, v \rangle = 0$$