

# MATH2040C Homework 7

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## 1 Section 6.3, Q3(c)

For each of the following inner product spaces  $V$  and linear operators  $T$  on  $V$ , evaluate  $T^*$  at the given vector in  $V$ .

(c)  $V = P_1(R)$  with  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(t)g(t) dt$ ,  $T(f) = f' + 3f$ ,  
 $f(t) = 4 - 2t$

The first thing we need to do is to find a orthonormal basis for  $V$ .

A basis for  $V$  is  $\alpha = \{1, t\}$ . Note that  $\int_{-1}^1 1 \cdot t dt = 0$ . Therefore  $\alpha$  is an orthogonal basis. Applying the Gram-Schmidt process, we can generate an orthonormal basis  $\beta = \{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{\sqrt{3}t}{\sqrt{2}}\}$ .

Then according to Remark 16.3, we can have

$$T^*(g(t)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle T(v_i), g(t) \rangle} v_i.$$

With  $T(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$ . And  $T(\frac{\sqrt{3}t}{\sqrt{2}}) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} + 3\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}t$ .

Therefore,

$$T^*(g(t)) = \frac{3}{2} \int_{-1}^1 g(t) dt + \frac{3}{2} t \int_{-1}^1 (1 + 3t) g(t) dt.$$

The given vector is  $f(t) = 4 - 2t$ . Hence the answer should be

$$T^*(4 - 2t) = 12 + 6t.$$

Done.

## 2 Section 6.3, Q13

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ . Prove the following results.

- (a)  $N(T^*T) = N(T)$ . Deduce that  $\text{rank}(T^*T) = \text{rank}(T)$ .
- (b)  $\text{rank}(T) = \text{rank}(T^*)$ . Deduce from (a) that  $\text{rank}(TT^*) = \text{rank}(T)$ .
- (c) For any  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ ,  $\text{rank}(A^*A) = \text{rank}(AA^*) = \text{rank}(A)$ .

### 2.1 (a)

Note that  $\forall x \in N(T)$ ,

$$T^*Tx = T^*(Tx) = T^*(0) = 0.$$

Therefore  $x \in N(T^*T)$ . Hence  $N(T) \subset N(T^*T)$ .

For all  $y \in N(T^*T)$ , consider the norm of  $Ty$  :

$$\|Ty\|^2 = \langle Ty, Ty \rangle = \langle y, T^*Ty \rangle = \langle y, 0 \rangle = 0.$$

Which implies that  $Ty = 0$ . Therefore  $y \in N(T)$ . Hence  $N(T^*T) \subset N(T)$ .

Based on all above,  $N(T^*T) = N(T)$ .

Recall that  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ . Hence  $T : V \rightarrow V$ . And according to  $\forall y \in V$ ,

$$T^*(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle T(v_i), y \rangle} v_i.$$

We know that  $T^* : V \rightarrow V$ . Therefore  $T^*T : V \rightarrow V$ .

Applying the rank nullity theorem, we have that

$$\dim V = \text{rank}(T^*T) + \dim N(T^*T), \quad \dim V = \text{rank}(T) + \dim N(T).$$

Using the just proved fact  $N(T^*T) = N(T)$ , we can simply deduce

$$\text{rank}(T^*T) = \text{rank}(T).$$

### 2.2 (b)

By changing name of the identity in (a), we can have  $N(TT^*) = N(T^*)$  and  $\text{rank}(TT^*) = \text{rank}(T^*)$ .

Notice that

$$\text{rank}(T) = \text{rank}[T]_\beta = \text{rank}[T]_\beta^* = \text{rank}[T^*]_\beta = \text{rank}(T^*).$$

And then  $\text{rank}(TT^*) = \text{rank}(T)$  follows.

### 2.3 (c)

From (b),  $\text{rank}(AA^*) = \text{rank}(A)$  follows naturally.

And note that  $(AA^*)^* = A^*A$ , then

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

Therefore,

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

Done.

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## 3 Section 6.3, Q14

Let  $V$  be an inner product space, and let  $y, z \in V$ . Define  $T: V \rightarrow V$  by  $T(x) = \langle x, y \rangle z$  for all  $x \in V$ . First prove that  $T$  is linear. Then show that  $T^*$  exists, and find an explicit expression for it.

First we would prove that  $T$  is linear.  $\forall x_1, x_2 \in V, \forall c \in F$ ,

$$T(cx_1 + x_2) = \langle cx_1 + x_2, y \rangle z = \langle cx_1, y \rangle z + \langle x_2, y \rangle z = c\langle x_1, y \rangle z + \langle x_2, y \rangle z.$$

The equalities are deduced from the properties of inner product. And hence

$$T(cx_1 + x_2) = cT(x_1) + T(x_2).$$

Therefore,  $T$  is linear.

From course not we directly construct  $\forall x \in V$ ,

$$T^*(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle T(v_i), x \rangle} v_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle \langle v_i, y \rangle z, x \rangle} v_i = \overline{\langle z, x \rangle} \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle v_i, y \rangle} v_i = \overline{\langle z, x \rangle} y.$$

Recall that  $y = I(y) = I^*(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle I(v_i), y \rangle} v_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle v_i, y \rangle} v_i$ . Hence the last equality holds properly.

## 4 Section 6.3, Q15

**Definition.** Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation, where  $V$  and  $W$  are finite-dimensional inner product spaces with inner products  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$  and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2$ , respectively. A function  $T^*: W \rightarrow V$  is called an **adjoint** of  $T$  if  $\langle T(x), y \rangle_2 = \langle x, T^*(y) \rangle_1$  for all  $x \in V$  and  $y \in W$ .

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- (a) There is a unique adjoint  $T^*$  of  $T$ , and  $T^*$  is linear.
- (b) If  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are orthonormal bases for  $V$  and  $W$ , respectively, then  $[T^*]_\gamma^\beta = ([T]_\beta^\gamma)^*$ .
- (c)  $\text{rank}(T^*) = \text{rank}(T)$ .
- (d)  $\langle T^*(x), y \rangle_1 = \langle x, T(y) \rangle_2$  for all  $x \in W$  and  $y \in V$ .
- (e) For all  $x \in V$ ,  $T^*T(x) = 0$  if and only if  $T(x) = 0$ .

### 4.1 (a)

Define  $g: V \rightarrow F$  by  $g(x) = \langle T(x), y \rangle_2$ . Obviously, note that  $g$  is linear for sure.

Then apply the theorem 6.8, there exists a unique vector  $y' \in W$  such that

$$g(x) = \langle x, y' \rangle_1.$$

Recall  $g$ 's definition, we have  $\langle T(x), y \rangle_2 = \langle x, y' \rangle_1, \forall x \in V$ .

Define that  $T^*: W \rightarrow V$  by  $T^*(y) = y'$ .

Then we have  $\langle T(x), y \rangle_2 = \langle x, T^*(y) \rangle_1$ .

Hence the wanted  $T^*$  function exists, and because the  $y'$  is "unique" as mentioned above (for any  $y$ ), then the  $T^*$  is also unique.

Then we prove the linearity of  $T^*$ .  $\forall y_1, y_2 \in W$  and  $\forall c \in F$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, T^*(cy_1 + y_2) \rangle_1 &= \langle T(x), cy_1 + y_2 \rangle_2 = \langle x, cT^*(y_1) \rangle_1 + \langle x, T^*(y_2) \rangle_1 \\ &= \langle x, cT^*(y_1) + T^*(y_2) \rangle_1, \forall x \in V. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $T^*(cy_1 + y_2) = cT^*(y_1) + T^*(y_2)$ . Hence  $T^*$  is linear.

## 4.2 (b)

For such kind of problem, we need to compare the two matrices entry wise.

Denote  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ ,  $\gamma = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$ .

Inspect  $[T^*]_{\gamma}^{\beta} = [T^*(w_1), T^*(w_2), \dots, T^*(w_m)]_{\beta}$ .

Note that  $T^*(w_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle v_i, T^*(w_j) \rangle_1} v_i$ ,  $\forall j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ .

From this we know that the i-th row, j-th column of  $[T^*]_{\gamma}^{\beta}$  is  $\overline{\langle v_i, T^*(w_j) \rangle_1}$ .

Inspect  $[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = [T(v_1), T(v_2), \dots, T(v_n)]_{\gamma}$ .

Note that  $T(v_i) = \sum_{k=1}^m \overline{\langle w_k, T(v_i) \rangle_2} w_k$ ,  $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Therefore, the i-th column, k-th row of  $[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$  is  $\overline{\langle w_k, T(v_i) \rangle_2}$ .

Hence, for  $([T]_{\beta}^{\gamma})^*$ , the i-th row, j-th column is  $\langle w_j, T(v_i) \rangle_2$ .

What remains to be done is to show

$$\langle w_j, T(v_i) \rangle_2 = \overline{\langle v_i, T^*(w_j) \rangle_1}.$$

This is equivalent to show  $\overline{\langle w_j, T(v_i) \rangle_2} = \langle v_i, T^*(w_j) \rangle_1$ .

Note that the L.H.S. =  $\overline{\langle T(v_i), w_j \rangle_2}$  = R.H.S. from the definition of  $T^*$ . Hence this is proved.

## 4.3 (c)

$\text{rank}(T^*) = \text{rank}([T^*]_{\gamma}^{\beta})$  and  $\text{rank}(T) = \text{rank}([T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}) = \text{rank}(([T]_{\beta}^{\gamma})^*)$ .

Followed from (b), we have  $\text{rank}(T^*) = \text{rank}(T)$ .

## 4.4 (d)

We want to prove  $\langle T^*(y), x \rangle_1 = \langle y, T(x) \rangle_2, \forall y \in W, x \in V$ . which is equivalent to prove  $\langle x, T^*(y) \rangle_1 = \langle T(x), y \rangle_2$ .

And L.H.S. =  $\langle T(x), y \rangle_2$  followed from the definition of  $T^*$ .

Done.

## 4.5 (e)

It is suffice to prove  $N(T) = N(T^*T)$ . And it is obvious to see that

$$N(T) \subset N(T^*T).$$

Take any  $x$  such that  $T^*Tx = 0$ . We have  $\langle Tx, Tx \rangle_2 = \langle x, T^*Tx \rangle_1 = 0$ . Which implies that  $Tx = 0$ . Hence  $x \in N(T)$ , and  $N(T^*T) = N(T)$ .

Done.

## 5 Section 6.4, Q2(d)

For each linear operator  $T$  on an inner product space  $V$ , determine whether  $T$  is normal, self-adjoint, or neither. If possible, produce an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors of  $T$  for  $V$  and list the corresponding eigenvalues.

(d)  $V = P_2(\mathbb{R})$  and  $T$  is defined by  $T(f) = f'$ , where

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t) dt.$$

Let  $\{1, t, t^2\}$  be a basis for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ , then apply Gram-Schmidt process upon it, we can have an orthonormal basis  $\beta = \{1, 2\sqrt{3}(t - \frac{1}{2}), 6\sqrt{5}(t^2 - t + \frac{1}{6})\}$ .

First, we claim that  $T$  is not self-adjoint, by the spectral theorem,  $T$  is self-adjoint iff,  $T$  is diagonalizable, which implies that it will lead to the eigenspace decomposition of  $V$ . Note that there is only one eigenvalue of  $T$ , which is 0 and the only corresponding set of eigenvectors is  $\text{span}\{1\}$ . It is obvious that  $E_0 \neq V$ , since  $t^2 \notin E_0$ . Therefore  $T$  is not self-adjoint and meanwhile, it is impossible to derive a orthonormal basis of eigenvectors of  $T$  for  $V$ .

Also,  $T$  is not normal.

## 6 Section 6.4, Q7

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on an inner product space  $V$ , and let  $W$  be a  $T$ -invariant subspace of  $V$ . Prove the following results.

- (a) If  $T$  is self-adjoint, then  $T_W$  is self-adjoint.
- (b)  $W^\perp$  is  $T^*$ -invariant.
- (c) If  $W$  is both  $T$ - and  $T^*$ -invariant, then  $(T_W)^* = (T^*)_W$ .
- (d) If  $W$  is both  $T$ - and  $T^*$ -invariant and  $T$  is normal, then  $T_W$  is normal.

### 6.1 (a)

Denote  $\dim V = n$ ,  $\dim W = m$ , with  $m \leq n$ . Let  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be an orthonormal basis for  $V$ ,  $\beta_W = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$  be an orthonormal basis for  $W$ .

$\forall y \in W$ ,  $T_W(y) = T(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle T(y), v_i \rangle v_i = T^*(y)$ . Because  $T$  is a self adjoint operator.

From the construction rule of adjoint, we have  $T^*(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle T(v_i), y \rangle} v_i$ .

From the question, we know that  $W$  is  $T$ -invariant, then  $T_W(y) \in W$ . Combined with  $v_i$ 's are linear independent, then

$$T_W(y) = \sum_{i=1}^m \overline{\langle T(v_i), y \rangle} v_i = \sum_{i=1}^m \overline{\langle T_W(v_i), y \rangle} v_i.$$

Note that the R.H.S. is the definition of  $T_W^*(y)$ . Hence

$$T_W(y) = T_W^*(y), \forall y \in W.$$

### 6.2 (b)

Make it clear that what we want is  $T^*(W^\perp) \subset W^\perp$ . By the construction of  $T^*$ , we have

$$T^*(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle T(v_i), y \rangle} v_i.$$

Note that  $\forall y \in W^\perp$ ,  $y = \sum_{j=m+1}^n \langle y, v_j \rangle v_j$ .

Therefore

$$T^*(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i \left( \sum_{j=m+1}^n \langle y, v_j \rangle \langle v_j, T(v_i) \rangle \right).$$

Recall that  $W$  is  $T$ -invariant, hence  $T(v_i) \in W$ , then  $\langle v_j, T(v_i) \rangle = 0, \forall i \leq m$ .

Hence  $T^*(y) = \sum_{i=m+1}^n v_i \sum_{j=m+1}^n \langle y, v_j \rangle \langle v_j, T(v_i) \rangle \in W^\perp$ .

### 6.3 (c)

$\forall y \in W$ ,  $(T_W)^*(y) = \sum_{i=1}^m \overline{\langle T_W(v_i), y \rangle} v_i$ . Because  $(T_W)^*(y) \in W$  assumed in question.

Note that  $y \in W$ , then  $y \in V$ . Hence we can use the original definition of  $T$ . We then have

$$(T^*)_W(y) = T^*(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{\langle T(v_i), y \rangle} v_i.$$

Inspect the  $\langle T(v_i), y \rangle$  terms, here  $y \in W$ . If  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  then  $T(v_i) \in W$ , when  $i = m+1, m+2, \dots, n$  then  $v_i \in W^\perp$  and hence  $T(v_i) \in W^\perp$ . Therefore  $\langle T(v_i), y \rangle = 0, \forall i = m+1, m+2, \dots, n$ .

Hence, we have

$$(T^*)_W(y) = T^*(y) = \sum_{i=1}^m \overline{\langle T(v_i), y \rangle} v_i = \sum_{i=1}^m \overline{\langle T_W(v_i), y \rangle} v_i = (T_W)^*(y).$$

Done.

### 6.4 (d)

Note that as mentioned in the question,  $W$  is both  $T-$  and  $T^*-$  invariant. Hence  $\forall y \in W$ ,

$$T_W(T_W)^*(y) = T_W(T^*(y)).$$

Where  $T^*(y) \in W$ . Then  $T_W(T_W)^*(y) = TT^*(y)$ , where  $TT^*(y) \in W$  as well.

On the other hand,

$$(T_W)^*T_W(y) = (T_W)^*T(y) = T^*T(y).$$

Which is valid for similar reasons.

Recall that  $T$  is normal. Hence  $(T_W)^*T_W(y) = T_W(T_W)^*(y), \forall y \in W$ .

Therefore,  $T_W$  is normal.



## 7 Section 6.4, Q9

Let  $T$  be a normal operator on a finite-dimensional inner product space  $V$ . Prove that  $N(T) = N(T^*)$  and  $R(T) = R(T^*)$ . *Hint:* Use Theorem 6.15 and Exercise 12 of Section 6.3.

From theorem 6.15, we know that  $\|T(x)\| = \|T^*(x)\|, \forall x \in V$ .

$\forall x \in N(T)$ , then  $T(x) = 0$ , which is equivalent to  $\|T(x)\| = 0$ . Then  $\|T^*(x)\| = 0$ , which is equivalent to  $T^*(x) = 0$ . Thus  $x \in N(T^*)$ . Note that each step above is revertible, then  $N(T) = N(T^*)$ .

Using the question 12 of section 6.3, we then have  $N(T)^\perp = R(T^*)$  and  $N(T^*)^\perp = R((T^*)^*) = R(T)$ .

As  $N(T) = N(T^*)$ , then  $R(T) = R(T^*)$ .

Done.

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## 8 Section 6.5, Q2(c)

For each of the following matrices  $A$ , find an orthogonal or unitary matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $P^*AP = D$ .

$$(c) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3-3i \\ 3+3i & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

By solving its characteristic polynomial, we have 2 eigenvalues:  $\lambda_1 = -1$  and  $\lambda_2 = 8$ .

And we can have  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1-i \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1+i \end{pmatrix}$ .

Normalize them, we then have  $v'_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}v_1, v'_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}v_2$ .

Then let  $P = (v'_1 \ v'_2)$ .

And hence the  $P^* = \begin{pmatrix} -\overline{v'_1} & - \\ -\overline{v'_2} & - \end{pmatrix}$ .

Note that  $P^*P = I_2$ . Therefore  $P$  is a unitary matrix.

Then

$$P^*AP = P^*(\lambda_1 v'_1, \lambda_2 v'_2) = \begin{pmatrix} -\overline{v'_1} & - \\ -\overline{v'_2} & - \end{pmatrix} (\lambda_1 v'_1, \lambda_2 v'_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## 9 Section 6.5, Q6

Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be the inner product space of complex-valued continuous functions on  $[0, 1]$  with the inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt.$$

Let  $h \in \mathcal{V}$ , and define  $T: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$  by  $T(f) = hf$ . Prove that  $T$  is a unitary operator if and only if  $|h(t)| = 1$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

### 9.1 Only If

We would like to prove it by contradiction. Note that now we have the condition of  $T$  being unitary operator. This implies that

$$\|T(f)\| = \|f\|, \forall f \in \mathcal{V}.$$

Doing the inner product, we left with

$$\int_0^1 |f(t)|^2 (|h(t)|^2 - 1) dt = 0.$$

Recall that all of the  $h, f$  are continuous functions defined on compact interval. On which we can apply the boundedness theorem to obtain that

$$\exists M > 0, \text{ s.t. } -M < \int_0^1 |f(t)|^2 (|h(t)|^2 - 1) dt < M$$

Suppose  $|h(t)| \neq 1$  for some  $t_0 \in [0, 1]$  (WLOG, we suppose  $h(t_0) > 1$ .) we will construct a  $g(t)$  s.t.

$$\int_0^1 |g(t)|^2 (|h(t)|^2 - 1) dt \neq 0.$$

Note that  $\exists$  a interval  $I$  such that  $\forall t \in I, h(t) \geq \frac{1+h(t_0)}{2}$ . Where  $I$  is defined in the following way:  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$$I = [t_0 - \delta, t_0 + \delta] \quad (t_0 \in (0, 1))$$

$$I = [0, t_0 + \delta] \quad (t_0 = 0)$$

$$I = [t_0 - \delta, 1] \quad (t_0 = 1).$$

Applying the boundedness theorem on  $I$ , then  $\int_I |f(t)|^2(|h(t)|^2 - 1)dt$  is also finite. Which deduces that  $\int_{[0,1]-I} |f(t)|^2(|h(t)|^2 - 1)dt$  is a subtraction of 2 finite values, hence is also a finite number, denote it as  $M_1$ .

Note that

$$\int_I |f(t)|^2(|h(t)|^2 - 1)dt \geq (h(t_0) - 1) \int_I |f(t)|^2 dt.$$

Manipulate the value of  $f(t)$ ,  $t \in I$  such that  $\int_I |f(t)|^2 dt > \frac{|M_1|+1}{h(t_0)-1}$ .

Thus we have

$$\int_0^1 |f(t)|^2(|h(t)|^2 - 1)dt > M_1 + |M_1| + 1 > 0.$$

Which is a contradiction, hence  $\forall t \in [0, 1], |h(t)| = 1$  at the first place.

## 9.2 If

The if part is relatively easier. Now we have the condition of

$$\forall t \in [0, 1], |h(t)| = 1.$$

Note that  $\forall f \in V$ ,

$$\|T(f)\|^2 = \|h(t)f(t)\|^2 = \int_0^1 h(t)\overline{h(t)}f(t)\overline{f(t)}dt = \int_0^1 f(t)\overline{f(t)}dt = \|f\|^2.$$

Note that this is equivalent to  $TT^* = T^*T = I$ . Which is definitely suffice to say that  $T$  is unitary.

## 10 Section 6.5, Q13

Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are diagonalizable matrices. Prove or disprove that  $A$  is similar to  $B$  if and only if  $A$  and  $B$  are unitarily equivalent.

### 10.1 If

The "if" part is naturally true. Because unitary matrices are invertible.

### 10.2 Only If

We prove this part to be not true generally using counter example.

Take  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .  $A, B$  both have 2 distinct eigenvalues, hence diagonalizable.

They are similar since  $B = S^{-1}AS$ , where  $S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

But  $A$  and  $B$  are not unitarily equivalent. That's because a necessary for 2 matrices being unitarily equivalent is that the sum of the square of their entries being the same. While  $9 + 1 + 4 + 0 = 14 \neq 1 + 1 + 0 + 4 = 6$ . Hence  $A, B$  not unitarily similar.