

Exercise 6.9. Prove that the four vectors  $|sing\rangle$ ,  $|T_1\rangle$ ,  $|T_2\rangle$ , and  $|T_3\rangle$  are eigenvectors of  $\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{\tau}$ . What are their eigenvalues?

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By Table 1 we obtain the following eigenvalues.

	$ sing\rangle$	$ T_1\rangle$	$ T_2\rangle$	$ T_3\rangle$
$\sigma_x \tau_x$	-1	1	1	-1
$\sigma_y \tau_y$	-1	1	-1	1
$\sigma_z \tau_z$	-1	-1	1	1
$\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{\tau}$	-3	1	1	1

Since  $|sing\rangle$ ,  $|T_1\rangle$ ,  $|T_2\rangle$ , and  $|T_3\rangle$  are eigenvectors of  $\sigma_x \tau_x$ ,  $\sigma_y \tau_y$ , and  $\sigma_z \tau_z$ , then they are also eigenvectors of  $\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{\tau}$  by linearity.