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## Kato-Rellich theorem

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Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space,  $A \colon D(A) \subset \mathcal{H} \to \mathcal{H}$  a self-adjoint operator and  $B \colon D(B) \subset \mathcal{H} \to \mathcal{H}$  a symmetric operator with  $D(A) \subset D(B)$ .

We say that B is A-bounded if there are positive constants  $\alpha, \beta$  such that

$$||Bx|| \le \alpha ||Ax|| + \beta ||x||$$

for all  $x \in D(A)$ , and we say that  $\alpha$  is an A-bound for B.

**Theorem 1.** (Kato-Rellich) If B is A-bounded with A-bound smaller than 1, then A + B is self-adjoint on D(A), and essentially self-adjoint on any core of A. Moreover, if A is bounded below, then so is A + B.