# 1. Glossary for exam

- All subspaces have a complement (thm 2.14)
- $A, \tilde{A} \in \text{Hom}(U, V)$  are equivalent if there exist  $S \in \text{GL}(U)$  and  $T \in \text{GL}(V)$  such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U & \xrightarrow{A} & V \\ \downarrow_S & & \downarrow_T \\ U & \xrightarrow{\tilde{A}} & V \end{array}$$

- $A, \tilde{A} \in \text{End}(V)$  are called similar if there exists  $T \in \text{GL}(V)$  such that  $TA = \tilde{A}T$ .
- Theorem 2.22: Assume U, V fin.dim., then  $A, \tilde{A}$  are equivalent iff they have the same rank.
- For  $y \in V'$ , the null-space of y has codimension one in V and only the non-zero scalar multiples of y have the same null-space as y. (lemma 3.15 + see thm 3.14)
- The dual map is the pullback: if  $A \in \text{Hom}(U, V)$ , then  $A' \in \text{Hom}(V', U')$  is defined by  $A'(y) = y \circ A$ .



- Bil(V)  $\cong M_{n,n}(F)$  when dim V = n through the isomorphism  $B \stackrel{\cong}{\to} (B(x_i, x_j))$ . Bil(V) has basis  $w_{i,j} = y_i y_j$  where  $(y_i)$  is a dual basis to a basis  $(x_i)$  for V and  $(y_i y_j)(x, z) = y_i(x) y_j(z)$ .
- $L^k(V) := \{ \text{multilinear forms } V^{\times k} \to F \}.$
- Review chapter 4 again bilinear, symmetric, skew-symmetric, alternating, quadratic forms.
- Polynomials  $p(x) \in F[x]$  are uniquely determined by their associated functions  $\lambda \mapsto p(\lambda)$  if and only if F is infinite.
- When A is diagonable, the projections  $E_{\lambda} \colon V \to V_{\lambda}$  are called the spectral projections of A and the expansion of A as  $A = \sum_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} \lambda E_{\lambda}$  is called the spectral resolution of A.
- Using Gram-Schmidt, we find that every finite-dimensional inner product space has an orthonormal basis.
- Fitting's decomposition shows that all endomorphisms act on V by a nilpotent map on one subspace N and an invertible map on another subspace R, and these subspaces form a unique direct sum reduction  $V = N \oplus R$ .
- All transpositions are conjugate in  $S_n$  and every permutation is a product of transpositions.
- Bruhat decomposition shows that every isomorphism is the product STU of invertible upper triangular matrices S and U and a permutation matrix T.
- LU-decomposition is just a different form of Bruhat decomposition: for  $A \in GL(n, F)$ , there exist matrices L, P, U such that A = LPU with L lower triangular, U upper triangular, and P a permutation matrix.
- By the Jordan additive decomposition, for  $A \in \text{End}(V)$ , it splits uniquely as  $A = A_d + A_n$  where  $A_d$  is diagonable and  $A_n$  is nilpotent. Moreover,

 $\sigma(A_d) = \sigma(A)$  and there exist  $p_d, p_n \in F[x]$  such that  $p_d(A) = A_d$  and  $p_n(A) = A_n$ .

• Lemma 13.11: Assume  $A \ge 0$  and  $A^m > 0$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . If a vector  $x \ge 0$  satisfies  $Ax \ge \rho x$  then  $Ax = \rho x$ .

## Chapter 1

#### Chapter 4

**Exercise 1.1** (1). How does the matrix [B] representing a bilinear form transform if the basis is changed by a transition matrix [P]?

Solution. Suppose  $\mathcal{B} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  is the basis for V giving [B] the representation. Write  $[B]_{\mathcal{B}} = (B(x_i, x_j))$  for this representation. We can write

$$B = \sum B(x_i, x_j) w_{ij}.$$

Let P be a change of basis sending  $x_j \mapsto \sum_i P_{ij}v_i$  and let  $\mathcal{B}' = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ . Suppose  $(z_i)$  is the dual basis to  $\mathcal{B}'$  and  $\tilde{w}_{ij} = z_i z_j$ . Then

$$B = \sum B(v_i, v_j) \, \tilde{w}_{ij}.$$

So  $[B]_{B'} = (B(v_i, v_j))$ . Now

$$B\left(x_{i}, x_{j}\right) = \sum_{s,t} B\left(v_{s}, v_{t}\right) \tilde{w}_{s,t}\left(P(x_{i}), P(x_{j})\right) = \sum_{s,t} B\left(v_{s}, v_{t}\right) \tilde{w}_{s,t}\left(\sum_{s,t} P_{ki} v_{k}, \sum_{s,t} P_{rj} v_{r}\right)$$

**Exercise 1.2** (4.7). Determine the symmetric bilinear form on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  corresponding to the quadratic form  $q(x) = 2x_1^2 + 6x_1x_2 - 3x_2^2$ . Find a basis for which q has the form

$$ax_1^2 + bx_2^2.$$

Solution. The symmetric bilinear form  $B((x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)) = 2x_1y_1 + 3x_1y_2 + 3x_2y_1 - 3x_2y_2$  works. The bilinear form is given the matrix  $[B] = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$  where  $B(x, y) = x^t [B] y$ . Now setting up

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & x_1 \\ 3 & -3 & x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

this is equivalent to the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{x_2}{5} + x_1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3x_1 - 2x_2}{15} \end{pmatrix}$$

So choosing a basis as  $\mathcal{B}' = \{y_1, y_2\}$  with  $y_1 = \frac{x_2}{5} + x_1$  and  $y_2 = \frac{3x_1 - 2x_2}{15}$ , we get

$$q(y) = y^t [B]_{\mathcal{B}'} y = y_1^2 + y_2^2.$$

#### Chapter 5

**Exercise 1.3** (5.4).  $X, Y \subset V$  subspaces,  $A: V \to V/X \oplus V/Y$  by  $v \mapsto (v + X, v + Y)$  and  $B: V/X \oplus V/Y \to V/X + Y$  given by  $(v_1 + X, v_2 + Y) \mapsto v_1 - v_2 + (X + Y)$ . Give a codimension version of the Grassmann formula.

Solution. Firstly,  $N(A) = X \cap Y$ , and R(B) = V/(X+Y) since for v+(X+Y), we have B(v+X,0+Y) = v+(X+Y). Now if  $B(v_1+X,v_2+Y) = v_1-v_2+(X+Y) = 0+(X+Y)$  then  $v_1-v_2 \in X+Y$  so  $v_1-v_2 = x+y$  and hence  $v:=v_1-x=y+v_2$ , so  $A(v)=(v+X,v+Y)=(v_1+X,v_2+Y)$ , hence  $N(B)\subset R(A)$ , but also,  $R(A)\subset N(B)$  clearly. Hence N(B)=R(A). Now by rank-nullity, we get

$$\operatorname{codim} X + \operatorname{codim} Y = \operatorname{codim} (X + Y) + N(B)$$
$$= \operatorname{codim} (X + Y) + \dim V - \dim (X \cap Y)$$
$$= \operatorname{codim} (X + Y) + \operatorname{codim} (X \cap Y)$$

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**Exercise 1.4** (12.2). Let U and V be normed spaces, and assume that V is complete. Show that then B(U, V) is also complete with the operator norm.

Solution. Suppose  $B_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $B\left(U,V\right)$ , so

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \mid ||B_n - B_m|| < \varepsilon, \quad \forall m, n \ge N.$$

That is, for all m, n > N,

$$\sup_{\|x\|=1} \|B_n x - B_m x\| < \varepsilon$$

For a fixed n, this becomes a Cauchy sequence in V which thus converges, so we can define  $Bx = \lim_{n \to \infty} B_n x$ . We claim that B is a bounded operator too. It is clear that it is linear since each  $B_n$  is a continuous map. What remains is to show that B is bounded. It suffices to show that it is bounded on  $S = \{x \mid ||x|| = 1\}$ . Suppose it were not bounded and choose a sequence  $(x_n) \subset S$  such that  $||Bx_n|| > n$ . Choose  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}$  and let N be such that for  $n, m \geq N$ , we have

$$||B_n - B_m|| < \varepsilon$$

Then for all k

$$||B_n x_k - B_m x_k|| < \varepsilon$$

for all  $n \geq N$ , so in particular

$$||Bx_k - B_m x_k|| = \lim_{n \to \infty} ||B_n x_k - B_m x_k|| < \varepsilon$$

But  $B_m$  is bounded, so let  $||B_m|| = R$ . Choose M such that that for all  $k \ge M$ , we have  $||Bx_k|| \ge ||B_m x_k||$ , then

$$||Bx_k|| - ||B_mx_k|| < \varepsilon$$

giving

$$||Bx_k|| < \varepsilon + R$$

contradicting  $||Bx_k|| \to \infty$ .

### Exercises

In these exercises all vector spaces denoted by V have finite dimension.

**Exercise 6.1.** Let  $A \in \text{End}(V)$ . Prove  $\alpha \lambda + \beta \in \sigma(\alpha A + \beta I)$  for all  $\lambda \in \sigma(A)$  and all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Exercise 6.2.** Let  $A \in \text{End}(V)$  and assume rank(A) = 1. Show that A is diagonable or  $A^2 = 0$ .

**Exercise 6.3.** Let  $A \in \text{End}(V)$  and  $S \in \text{GL}(V)$ . Show that A and  $SAS^{-1}$  share their eigenvalues, and find the relation between their eigenspaces.

**Exercise 6.4.** Let  $A \in \operatorname{End}(\mathbb{C}^n)$  be given by  $Ax = (\xi_2, \dots, \xi_n, \xi_1)$  for each  $x = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . Show that  $\sigma(A)$  is the set of all *n*-th roots of unity, and determine an eigenvector for each eigenvalue.

**Exercise 6.5.** Let  $A \in \text{End}(V)$  be an involution. Show  $V = V_1 \oplus V_{-1}$  if  $\text{char } \mathcal{F} \neq 2$  (see Exercise 2.16).

**Exercise 6.6.** Is there a general relation between the eigenvectors and eigenvalues for A and those for  $A^{-1}$ , when A is invertible?

**Exercise 6.7.** Show all B-eigenspaces are A-invariant when  $A, B \in \text{End}(V)$ 

**Exercise 6.8.** Let  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{C}$  and  $A \in \mathrm{GL}(V)$ . Show A is diagonable if  $A^2$  is diagonable (use Exercises 6.5 and 6.7).

**Exercise 6.9.** On the vector space of all sequences  $x=(\xi_1,\xi_2,\ldots)$  with entries from a field  $\mathcal{F}$ , consider the left shift  $S(x)=(\xi_2,\xi_3,\ldots)$  and the right shift  $T(x)=(0,\xi_1,\xi_2,\ldots)$ . What are their eigenvalues and eigenvectors?

**Exercise 6.10.** Let  $A \in \text{End}(V)$ . Prove that  $\sigma(A) = \sigma(A')$ .

**Exercise 6.11.** Let  $\mathcal{F}=\mathbb{R}$  and  $W\subseteq\mathcal{F}[X]$  a finite-dimensional subspace. Prove that there exists  $k\geq 0$  such that  $(d/dt)^kf=0$  for all  $f\in W$ .

**Exercise 6.12.** Let  $V = \mathcal{F}[X]$  and let  $y \in V'$  be a non-zero linear form which is multiplicative, that is, y(pq) = y(p)y(q) for all  $p, q \in V$ . Show y is the evaluation  $p(X) \mapsto p(\gamma)$  for some  $\gamma \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Exercise 6.13.** Let  $A \in \text{End}(\mathcal{F}^3)$  be given by  $A(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = (\xi_2, \xi_1 - \xi_3, \xi_1)$ . Find p(A) for  $p(X) = 1 - X + X^2$ .

**Exercise 6.14.** Show  $p(SAS^{-1}) = Sp(A)S^{-1}$  for  $p \in \mathcal{F}[X]$  and  $S \in GL(V)$ .

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**Exercise 1.5** (12.3). Let  $A \in B(V)$  for a complete normed space V. Prove

- (1) If ||A|| < 1 then  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A^k$  converges in B(V) to an inverse of I A.
- (2) If  $B \in B(V)$  is invertible and  $||A|| < \frac{1}{||B^{-1}||}$  then B A is invertible.
- (3) The set of invertible bounded operators is an open subset of B(V).

(Here invertible means there is a bounded inverse)

Solution. (1) geometric series.

(2)  $B - A = B\left(1 - \frac{A}{B}\right)$ . Now  $\|\frac{A}{B}\| \le \|A\| \|B^{-1}\| < 1$ , so by (1),  $1 - \frac{A}{B}$  has inverse  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{A}{B}\right)^k$ . But then B - A is a composition of invertible maps hence invertible since  $\mathrm{GL}(V)$  is a group.

(3) Suppose  $A \in B\left(B, \frac{1}{\|B^{-1}\|}\right)$ , so  $\|B - A\| < \frac{1}{\|B^{-1}\|}$ . By (2), B - (B - A) = A is then invertible. Hence  $B\left(B, \frac{1}{\|B^{-1}\|}\right)$  is an open neighborhood of B in B(V) consisting of invertible maps. Thus the set of invertible maps is open in B(V).

**Exercise 1.6** (12.6). Let  $S \in \text{End}(\ell^2)$  denote the right shift taking the sequence  $(x_1, x_2, \ldots)$  to  $(0, x_1, x_2, \ldots)$ . Show it is bounded and determine the operator norm ||S||. Find also the adjoint  $S^*$ , and verify that  $S^*S = I$  but  $SS^* \neq I$ .

Solution. Recall that we are dealing with the norm  $\|(x_1, x_2, \ldots)\|^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k|^2$ . But indeed then if  $\|(x_1, \ldots)\| = 1$ , then

$$||S(x_1,...)||^2 = ||(0,x_1,x_2,...)||^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k|^2 = 1$$

so, in fact, S preserves the norm. But then since ||Sx|| = ||x|| for all x by linearity, we have ||S|| = 1. Now, the inner product is  $\langle x, y \rangle = \sum_k x_k \overline{y_k}$ . Then

$$\langle Sx, y \rangle = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} x_k y_{k-1} = \langle x, S^*y \rangle$$

if we define  $S^*(y_1,y_2,\ldots)=(y_2,y_3,\ldots)$ . We then indeed get  $S^*S=I$  clearly, but  $SS^*(x_1,x_2,\ldots)=(0,x_2,x_3,\ldots)$ .

**Exercise 1.7** (12.8). Show  $||Ax \pm ix||^2 = ||Ax||^2 + ||x||^2$  for A Hermitian and  $\dim V < \infty$ . Then show  $A \pm iI$  is invertible and  $(A - iI)(A + iI)^{-1}$  unitary.

Solution.

$$\langle Ax \pm ix, Ax \pm ix \rangle = ||Ax||^2 + \langle Ax, \pm ix \rangle + \langle \pm ix, Ax \rangle + \langle \pm ix, \pm ix \rangle$$

$$= ||Ax||^2 + ||x||^2 \mp i \langle Ax, x \rangle \pm i \langle x, Ax \rangle$$

$$= ||Ax||^2 + ||x||^2 \mp i \langle Ax, x \rangle \pm i \langle Ax, x \rangle$$

$$= ||Ax||^2 + ||x||^2.$$

Now, if  $A \pm iI$  were not invertible, it would not be injective, so for  $x \neq 0$ , we would get

$$0 = ||Ax \pm ix||^2 = ||Ax||^2 + ||x||^2$$

but  $||x||^2 > 0$  and  $||Ax||^2 \ge 0$ , so this gives a contradiction.

Lastly, what is the adjoint of  $(A - iI)(A + iI)^{-1}$ ? Well,  $(A - iI)^* = A + iI$  by the rules on page 70. Hence the expression is of the form  $X^*X^{-1}$  which has adjoint  $(X^{-1})^*X$ . Then  $(X^{-1})^*XX^*X^{-1}$ .

Now, since A is self-adjoint, it is in particular normal, so A+iI is normal and hence orthogonally diagonable. Writing  $A+iI=\sum \lambda E_{\lambda}$ , we get  $(A+iI)^*=\sum \overline{\lambda} E_{\lambda}$ , so A+iI and A-iI commute. Hence we get  $XX^*=X^*X$ , and the expression above becomes the identity.

Exercise 1.8 (12.4). Give a simple proof of the Hahn-Banach theorem for a continuous linear form on a closed subspace of a Hilbert space.

Solution. Let V be a Hilbert space and let  $U \subset V$  be a closed subspace. Then  $V = U \oplus U^{\perp}$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a basis for U and extend it to a basis  $\mathcal{A}$  for V. Take the duals  $\mathcal{B}'$  and  $\mathcal{A}'$ . For  $z \in U^*$  we can write  $z = \sum_{y_i' \in \mathcal{B}'} a_i y_i$ . Then z can also be considered a linear form on V by letting the coefficient for  $y_i \in \mathcal{A}'$  be 0 if  $y_i \notin \mathcal{B}'$  and  $a_i$  otherwise. The restrictions are clearly the same. By the Riesz-Fréchet representation theorem, since U is a closed subspace of a Hilbert space, it is also a Hilbert space, so by continuity of z, there exists  $u \in U$  such that  $z(x) = \langle x, u \rangle$  for all  $x \in U$  and such that ||z|| = ||u||. But since  $z|_{U^{\perp}} = 0$ , we also have  $z(x) = \langle x, u \rangle$  for all  $x \in V$ , so by the Riesz-Fréchet theorem, ||z|| = ||u|| over V as well.

**Exercise 1.9** (13.1). Prove  $\rho(A+B) \leq \rho(A) + \rho(B)$  if A and B are normal. Prove it for general  $A, B \in \text{End}(V)$ , now assuming they commute. Show the inequality can fail in general.

Solution. If A and B are normal, then they are orthogonally diagonable with respect to the associated inner product, hence  $\rho(A) = ||A||$  and  $\rho(B) = ||B||$ . Now, in general, we have  $\rho(X) \leq ||X||$ , we we get

$$\rho(A+B) \le ||A+B|| \le ||A|| + ||B|| = \rho(A) + \rho(B).$$

If A and B commute, then

$$\rho(A+B) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \| (A+B)^k \|^{\frac{1}{k}} = \lim_{k \to \infty} \| \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} A^i B^{k-i} \|^{\frac{1}{k}}$$

$$\leq \lim_{k \to \infty} \left| \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} \|A\|^i \|B\|^{k-i} \right|^{\frac{1}{k}}$$

$$= \lim_{k \to \infty} \|A\| + \|B\|$$

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$$= \lim_{k \to \infty} \|A^k\|^{\frac{1}{k}} + \lim_{k \to \infty} \|B^k\|^{\frac{1}{k}}$$

where the last equality follows from  $||X^k|| = ||X||^k$  when X is diagonable (by the proof of lemma 13.4).

To show that it can fail in general, note that for  $[A] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $[B] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , we have that the eigenvalues of both are precisely 1, hence  $\rho(A) + \rho(B) = 2$ , while  $A + B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  which has characteristic polynomial (x - 3)(x - 1) and thus 3 as an eigenvalue.

**Exercise 1.10** (13.2). Let  $F = \mathbb{C}$ . Find a counterexample to the statement:  $\rho(p(A)) = p(\rho(A))$  for all polynomials p, where  $\rho$  is the spectral radius.

Solution. Consider p(x) = ix - i and A = -I. So  $p(A) = \begin{pmatrix} -2i & 0 \\ 0 & -2i \end{pmatrix}$  which has spectral radius 2. However, -I has spectral radius 1 and p(1) = 0.

**Exercise 1.11** (13.3). Show  $\rho(A^*A) = ||A^*A|| = ||A||^2$  for the operator norm of an inner product.

Solution. The first equality holds when the matrix is orthogonally diagonable. But  $A^*A$  is self-adjoint, hence normal hence orthogonally diagonable.

The latter equality holds since

$$||A^*A|| = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \langle A^*Ax, x \rangle = \sup_{\|x\|=1} ||Ax||^2 = ||A||^2$$