HW #7, Due: 2015, April 21

7.14 Suppose $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ is self-adjoint, $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$, and $\epsilon > 0$. Prove that if there exists $v \in V$ such that ||v|| = 1 and

$$||Tv - \lambda v|| < \epsilon,$$

then T has an eigenvalue λ' such that $|\lambda - \lambda'| < \epsilon$.

Proof.

7.16 Give an example of an operator T on an inner product space such that T has an invariant subspace whose orthogonal complement is not invariant under T.

7.17 Prove that the sum of any two positive operators on V is positive.

Proof. Suppose that S and T are positive operators on V. Since S and T are both self-adjoint, it follows immediately that S+T is self-adjoint because

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

Now let $v \in V$. Thus

$$\begin{split} \langle (S+T)v,v \rangle &= \langle Sv+Tv,v \rangle \\ &= \langle Sv,v \rangle + \langle Tv,v \rangle \\ &\geq 0, \end{split} \qquad [\text{Since } Sv \geq 0, Tv \geq 0] \end{split}$$

so that S + T is a positive operator.

7.19 Suppose that T is a positive operator on V. Prove that T is invertible if and only if

$$\langle Tv, v \rangle > 0$$

for every $v \in V \setminus \{0\}$.

Proof.

7.22 Prove that if $S \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ is an isometry, then there exists a nonzero vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$ such that $S^2x = x$.

Proof.