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GPA Lecture ①

Let  $\langle, \rangle: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$  be a sesquilinear form.

Let  $W$  be a finite dimensional subspace of  $V$   
with  $W \cap W^\perp = \{0\}$ .

Let  $f: W \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation.

Let  $f^*: W \rightarrow W$  be the adjoint linear transformation.

(a)  $f$  is self adjoint if  $f = f^*$ .

(b)  $f$  is an isometry if  $ff^* = 1$ .

(c)  $f$  is normal if  $ff^* = f^*f$ .

The favourite example is  $W = \mathbb{C}^n$  with the standard dot product.

Let  $A$  be the matrix of  $f$  and

$A^*$  the matrix of  $f^*$

with respect to the favourite basis  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ .

$$f: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$$

$$v \mapsto Av$$

$$\text{and } f^*: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$$

$$v \mapsto A^*v.$$

Then

$$A^* = \bar{A}^t$$

and

$A$  is self-adjoint if  $A = A^*$

$A$  is unitary if  $AA^* = 1$

$A$  is normal if  $AA^* = A^*A$ .

Proposition let  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  GTLA lecture ②

and let  $V_\lambda = \ker(\lambda - A)$

If  $AA^* = A^*A$  then

- (a)  $V_\lambda$  is  $A$ -invariant, (b)  $V_\lambda$  is  $A^*$ -invariant  
 (c)  $V_\lambda^\perp$  is  $A$ -invariant, (d)  $V_\lambda^\perp$  is  $A^*$ -invariant.

Proof (a) To show: If  $p \in V_\lambda$  then  $Ap \in V_\lambda$ .

Assume  $p \in V_\lambda$ .

Then  $(\lambda - A)p = 0$ .

$$\Leftrightarrow Ap = \lambda p.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow Ap \in V_\lambda.$$

$\Leftrightarrow V_\lambda$  is  $A$ -invariant.

(b) To show: If  $p \in V_\lambda$  then  $A^*p \in V_\lambda$ .

Assume  $p \in V_\lambda$ .

~~Case 1  $\lambda \neq 0$ . Then  $p = \frac{1}{\lambda} \lambda p$ .~~

~~$$\Leftrightarrow A^*p = A^*\left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \lambda p\right) = \frac{1}{\lambda} A^* \lambda p = \frac{1}{\lambda} \lambda A^*p$$~~

To show:  $A^*p \in V_\lambda$

To show:  $AA^*p = \lambda A^*p$ .

$$AA^*p = A^*Ap = A^*\lambda p = \lambda A^*p.$$

$\Leftrightarrow A^*p \in V_\lambda$ .

(d) To show:  $V_\lambda^\perp$  is  $A^*$  invariant.

To show: If  $v \in V_\lambda^\perp$  then  $A^*v \in V_\lambda^\perp$

Assume  $v \in V_\lambda^\perp$ .

To show: If  $p \in V_\lambda$  then  $\langle p, A^*v \rangle = 0$ .

Assume  $p \in V_\lambda$ .

To show:  $\langle A^*v, p \rangle = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A^*v, p \rangle &= \overline{\langle p, A^*v \rangle} = \overline{\langle Ap, v \rangle} = \overline{\langle \lambda p, v \rangle} \\ &= \overline{\lambda \langle p, v \rangle} = \bar{\lambda} \cdot \bar{0} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

(c) To show:  $V_\lambda^\perp$  is  $A$ -invariant.

To show: If  $v \in V_\lambda^\perp$  then  $Av \in V_\lambda^\perp$ .

Assume  $v \in V_\lambda^\perp$

To show: If  $p \in V_\lambda$  then  $\langle Av, p \rangle = 0$ .

Assume  $p \in V_\lambda$ .

To show:  $\langle Av, p \rangle = 0$

$$\langle Av, p \rangle = \langle v, A^*p \rangle = 0 \text{ since } A^*p \in V_\lambda \text{ and } v \in V_\lambda^\perp. \quad \square$$

Theorem (Spectral theorem)

Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  and  $V = \mathbb{C}^n$  with the standard dot product.

(a) Let  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $AA^* = A^*A$ .

Then there exist  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{C}$  and a unitary matrix  $U \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  such that

$$U^{-1}AU = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Let  $f: V \rightarrow V$  be a normal linear transformation.

Then there exists an orthonormal basis

$(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$  of  $V$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $f$ .

Proposition ~~Let~~ The unitary group is.

$$U_n = \{ A \in M_n(\mathbb{C}) \mid AA^* = I \}$$

There is a bijection

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{ordered orthonormal} \\ \text{bases } (u_1, \dots, u_n) \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow U_n(\mathbb{C})$$

$$(u_1, \dots, u_n) \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} | & | & & | \\ u_1 & u_2 & \dots & u_n \\ | & | & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

Cor If  $A$  is self adjoint then  
 $A$  has real eigenvalues.

Proof If  $A$  is self adjoint then

$$AA^* = AA = A^*A \text{ and } A \text{ is normal.}$$

$$\text{Let } D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} = U^{-1}AU$$

$$\text{Then } D = (U^{-1}AU)^* = U^*AU = U^*A^*U = U^*AU = D.$$

$$\text{So } \bar{\lambda}_i = \lambda_i. \text{ So } \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}. //$$

Corollary If  $A$  is unitary then the  
eigenvalues of  $A$  have absolute value 1.

Proof Assume  $A$  is unitary.

$$\text{Then } AA^* = I = A^*A \text{ and } A \text{ is normal.}$$

$$\text{Let } D = U^{-1}AU = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } DD^* &= (U^{-1}AU)(U^{-1}AU)^* \\ &= U^{-1}AUU^*A^*U = U^{-1}AA^*U = I. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \lambda_i \bar{\lambda}_i = 1. \text{ So } |\lambda_i|^2 = 1. //$$