

## Problem sheet 12

① Show that a bounded self-adjoint linear operator is positive if and only if its spectrum consists of non-negative real values only.

►  $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $T$  is positive. Then by the definition  
 $\langle Tx, x \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in M.$

$$\Rightarrow m = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \langle Tx, x \rangle \geq 0.$$

We know by Th. 21.4 that  $\sigma(T)$  is real and  
 $\sigma(T) \subset [m, M], M \geq m \geq 0 \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow$  spectrum  $\sigma(T)$  consists of non-negative real values.

$\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $m \geq 0$ , that is,  $m = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \langle Tx, x \rangle \geq 0.$

By the Th. 21.4  $m \in \sigma(T)$

$$0 \leq \inf_{\|x\|=1} \langle Tx, x \rangle \in \sigma(T).$$

Take  $\forall y \in M, y \neq 0$  ( $\|y\| \neq 0$ ).

Set  $x = \frac{y}{\|y\|}$ . Then  $\|x\| = \frac{\|y\|}{\|y\|} = 1$  and

$$0 \leq \inf_{\|x\|=1} \langle Tx, x \rangle = \inf_{y \in M} \langle T \frac{y}{\|y\|}, \frac{y}{\|y\|} \rangle \leq \langle T \frac{y}{\|y\|}, \frac{y}{\|y\|} \rangle =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\|y\|^2} \langle Ty, y \rangle \Rightarrow \langle Ty, y \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in M.$$

If  $y=0$  then  $\|y\|=0$  and  $\langle Ty, y \rangle = 0 \geq 0.$

Hence,  $\langle Ty, y \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in M \Rightarrow T$  is positive.

(2) Let  $Y \neq \{0\}$  be a closed subspace of a Hilbert space  $H$  which does not coincide with  $H$ , and  $P$  be the orthogonal projection of  $H$  onto  $Y$ . Show that for every  $\lambda \notin \{0, 1\}$ ,

$$(P - \lambda I)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{\lambda} I + \frac{1}{\lambda(1-\lambda)} P.$$

Find the spectrum of  $P$ , spectral family associated with  $P$  and write the spectral representation (1) for  $P$ .

► We first show that

$$(2.1) \quad (P - \lambda I)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{\lambda} I + \frac{1}{\lambda(1-\lambda)} P.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} (P - \lambda I) \left( -\frac{1}{\lambda} I + \frac{1}{\lambda(1-\lambda)} P \right) &= P \left( -\frac{1}{\lambda} I \right) + P \left( \frac{1}{\lambda(1-\lambda)} P \right) - \lambda I \left( -\frac{1}{\lambda} I \right) - \\ &\quad - \lambda I \left( \frac{1}{\lambda(1-\lambda)} P \right) = \\ &= -\frac{1}{\lambda} P + \frac{1}{\lambda(1-\lambda)} \underbrace{P^2}_{=P} + I - \frac{\lambda}{(1-\lambda)\lambda} P = \underbrace{\left( -\frac{1}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{\lambda(1-\lambda)} - \frac{\lambda}{\lambda(1-\lambda)} \right)}_{=0} P + I = \\ &= I. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\left( -\frac{1}{\lambda} I + \frac{1}{\lambda(1-\lambda)} P \right) (P - \lambda I) = I.$$

This implies equality (2.1).

Hence, for every  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$  the operator

$$R_\lambda = -\frac{1}{\lambda} I + \frac{1}{\lambda(1-\lambda)} P$$

is defined on the whole space  $H$  and is bounded.

Therefore such  $\lambda$  is a regular value of  $T$ .

This implies that  $\sigma(T) \subseteq \{0, 1\}$ .

Next, for  $\lambda=1$  and any  $x \in Y$ ,  $x \neq 0$ , we have

$$Px - \lambda x = x - x = 0.$$

Similarly for  $\lambda=0$  and any  $x \in Y^\perp$ ,  $x \neq 0$ ,

$$Px - \lambda x = Px = 0.$$

Hence,  $\sigma(T) = \sigma_p(T) = \{0, 1\}$ .

We take

$$E_\lambda = \begin{cases} 0, & \lambda < 0, \\ A, & \lambda \in [0; 1), \\ I, & \lambda \geq 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $A$  is a projection operator on  $M$ , and find  $A$  from

$$P = \int_{0^-}^1 \lambda dE_\lambda = 0 \cdot (A - 0) + 1 \cdot (I - A) = I - A$$

Hence,  $A = I - P$ , that is, the projection operator onto  $\mathcal{Y}^\perp$ .

It is easily to see that  $E_\lambda, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , is a spectral family.

③ Let an operator  $T: \mathbb{C}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^3$  be represented, with respect to a canonical basis, by the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find the corresponding spectral family. Write the spectral representation (1) for  $T$ .

► Let us find eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

$$\det(T - \lambda I) = 0, \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (1-\lambda) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(\lambda^2-1) = 0 \rightarrow \lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_{2,3} = 1.$$

$\lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_{2,3} = 1$  — eigenvalues.

Find eigenvectors from the equation

$$(T - \lambda I)x = 0, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \\ \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \\ \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} -\lambda \xi_1 + \xi_2 = 0 \\ \xi_1 - \lambda \xi_2 = 0 \\ (1-\lambda) \xi_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\underline{\lambda = -1} \quad \begin{cases} \xi_1 + \xi_2 = 0 \\ \xi_1 + \xi_2 = 0 \\ 2 \xi_3 = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \xi_1 = -\xi_2 \\ \xi_3 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ -\xi_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\lambda = 1} \quad \begin{cases} -\xi_1 + \xi_2 = 0 \\ \xi_1 - \xi_2 = 0 \\ 0 \cdot \xi_3 = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \xi_1 = \xi_2 \\ \xi_3 \in \mathbb{C} \end{cases} \Rightarrow x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_1 \\ \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix};$$

$$x_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \\ \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Then } e_1 = \frac{x_1}{\|x_1\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix};$$

$$e_2 = \frac{x_2}{\|x_2\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix};$$

$$e_3 = \frac{x_3}{\|x_3\|} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$



$$Tx = \lambda_1 \langle x, e_1 \rangle e_1 + \lambda_2 \langle x, e_2 \rangle e_2 + \lambda_3 \langle x, e_3 \rangle e_3 =$$

$$= \lambda_1 P_1 x + \lambda_2 P_2 x,$$

where

$$P_1 x = \langle x, e_1 \rangle e_1 = \frac{1}{2} \langle (\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rangle \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$= \frac{\xi_1 - \xi_2}{2} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{P_1} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \\ \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_2 x = \langle x, e_2 \rangle e_2 + \langle x, e_3 \rangle e_3 = (\mathbf{I} - P_1)x = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{P_2} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \\ \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence,

$$E_\lambda = \begin{cases} 0, & \lambda < -1 \\ P_1, & -1 \leq \lambda < 1 \\ \mathbf{I}, & \lambda \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad - \text{the spectral family.}$$

The spectral representation (1) for  $T$ :

$$T = \int_{-1-0}^1 \lambda dE_\lambda = (-1) \cdot P_1 + 1 \cdot (\mathbf{I} - P_1) = -P_1 + \mathbf{I} - P_1 = -2P_1 + \mathbf{I}.$$

Indeed,

$$-2P_1 + \mathbf{I} = -2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = T.$$

(4) Find  $T_\lambda^+$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , and the spectral family  $E_\lambda$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , associated with operator  $T: \ell^2 \rightarrow \ell^2$  defined by  $Tx = (\frac{\xi_1}{1}, \frac{\xi_2}{2}, \frac{\xi_3}{3}, \dots)$ ,  $x = (\xi_k)_{k \geq 1}$ . Write the spectral representation (1) for  $T$ .

► We need to find  $T_\lambda^+$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$T_\lambda^+ = \frac{1}{2} (B_\lambda + T_\lambda), \text{ where } B_\lambda = (T_\lambda^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

$$\text{First we need to write } T_\lambda x = (Tx - \lambda x) = \\ = ((1-\lambda)\xi_1, (\frac{1}{2}-\lambda)\xi_2, \dots), \quad x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots).$$

$$\text{Then } T_\lambda^2 x = ((1-\lambda)^2 \xi_1, (\frac{1}{2}-\lambda)^2 \xi_2, \dots)$$

and

$$B_\lambda x = (T_\lambda^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (|1-\lambda| \xi_1, |\frac{1}{2}-\lambda| \xi_2, \dots)$$

Hence, the positive part of  $T_\lambda^+$  is defined as follows

$$T_\lambda^+ = \frac{1}{2} (B_\lambda + T_\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} (|1-\lambda| \xi_1 + (1-\lambda) \xi_1, |\frac{1}{2}-\lambda| \xi_2 + (\frac{1}{2}-\lambda) \xi_2, \dots) \\ = \frac{1}{2} ((|1-\lambda| + (1-\lambda)) \xi_1, (|\frac{1}{2}-\lambda| + (\frac{1}{2}-\lambda)) \xi_2, \dots) = \\ = ((1-\lambda)^+ \xi_1, (\frac{1}{2}-\lambda)^+ \xi_2, \dots),$$

$$\text{where } s^+ = \begin{cases} s, & s \geq 0 \\ 0, & s < 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Let } \underline{\lambda \geq 1} \text{ then } T_\lambda^+ x = (0, 0, 0, \dots)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq \lambda < 1 \text{ then } T_\lambda^+ x = ((1-\lambda) \xi_1, 0, 0, \dots)$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{2} \text{ then } T_\lambda^+ x = ((1-\lambda) \xi_1, (\frac{1}{2}-\lambda) \xi_2, \dots)$$

$$\dots \\ \frac{1}{k+1} \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{k} \text{ then } T_\lambda^+ x = ((1-\lambda) \xi_1, (\frac{1}{2}-\lambda) \xi_2, \dots, (\frac{1}{k}-\lambda) \xi_k, 0, 0, \dots)$$

$$\text{If } \lambda \leq 0 \text{ then } T_\lambda^+ x = ((1-\lambda) \xi_1, (\frac{1}{2}-\lambda) \xi_2, \dots, (\frac{1}{k}-\lambda) \xi_k, \dots) = \\ = T_\lambda x, \quad x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots).$$

So,

$$T_\lambda^+ x = \begin{cases} T_\lambda x, & \lambda \leq 0 \\ ((1-\lambda)\xi_1, (\frac{1}{2}-\lambda)\xi_2, \dots, (\frac{1}{k}-\lambda)\xi_k, 0, 0, \dots), & \frac{1}{k+1} \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{k}, k=1,2,\dots \\ 0, & \lambda \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Then  $\text{Ker } T_\lambda^+ = \{x : T_\lambda^+ x = 0\}$  is equal for

$\lambda \geq 1$   $\text{Ker } T_\lambda^+ = \{x : T_\lambda^+ x = 0\} = \ell_2;$

$\frac{1}{2} \leq \lambda < 1$   $\text{Ker } T_\lambda^+ = \{x : T_\lambda^+ x = 0\} = \{x : (1-\lambda)\xi_1 = 0\} =$   
 $= \{(0; \xi_2, \xi_3, \dots)\};$

$\frac{1}{3} \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{2}$   $\text{Ker } T_\lambda^+ = \{x : (1-\lambda)\xi_1 = 0 \text{ and } (\frac{1}{2}-\lambda)\xi_2 = 0\} =$   
 $= \{(0, 0, \xi_3, \xi_4, \dots)\};$

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 $\frac{1}{k+1} \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{k}$   $\text{Ker } T_\lambda^+ = \{(0, 0, \dots, 0, \xi_{k+1}, \xi_{k+2}, \dots)\};$

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 $\lambda \leq 0$   $\text{Ker } T_\lambda^+ = \{(0, 0, 0, \dots)\}.$

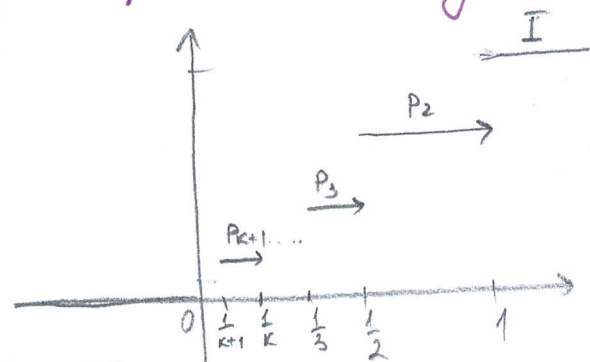
Hence,

$$\text{Ker } T_\lambda^+ = \begin{cases} \{(0, 0, 0, \dots)\}, & \lambda \leq 0 \\ \{x \in \ell_2 : (0, 0, \dots, 0, \xi_{k+1}, \xi_{k+2}, \dots)\}, & \frac{1}{k+1} \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{k}, k=1,2,\dots \\ \ell_2, & \lambda \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

By the Th. 22.8 the family  $\{E_\lambda, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , where  $E_\lambda$  is the projection of  $H$  onto  $\text{Ker } T_\lambda^+$  is spectral family associated with the operator  $T$ .

$$E_\lambda = \begin{cases} 0, & \lambda \leq 0 \\ P_{k+1}, & \frac{1}{k+1} \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{k}, k=1,2,\dots \\ I, & \lambda \geq 1, \end{cases}$$

$$P_{k+1} x = (0, 0, \dots, 0, \xi_{k+1}, \xi_{k+2}, \dots).$$



The spectral representation (1) for  $T$ :

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda dE_\lambda x = 1 \cdot (I - P_2)x + \frac{1}{2} (P_2 - P_3)x + \dots + \frac{1}{k} (P_k - P_{k+1})x + \frac{1}{k+1} (P_{k+1} - P_{k+2})x + \dots =$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} (P_k - P_{k+1})x.$$

Since  $P_k x = (0, 0, \dots, 0, \xi_k, \xi_{k+1}, \xi_{k+2}, \dots)$

$$P_{k+1} x = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 0, \xi_{k+1}, \xi_{k+2}, \dots),$$

then  $(P_k - P_{k+1})x = (0, 0, 0, \dots, \xi_k, 0, 0, \dots)$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} (P_k - P_{k+1})x = \frac{1}{1} (\xi_1, 0, 0, \dots) + \frac{1}{2} (0, \xi_2, 0, 0, \dots) + \frac{1}{3} (0, 0, \xi_3, 0, 0, \dots) + \dots =$$

$$= \left( \frac{\xi_1}{1}, \frac{\xi_2}{2}, \frac{\xi_3}{3}, \dots \right) = Tx.$$



⑤ For the multiplication operator  $T: L^2[0,1] \rightarrow L^2[0,1]$  defined by  $(Tx)(t) = tx(t)$ ,  $t \in [0,1]$ , compute  $\sin T$ .

► We know that for a continuous function  $f: [m, M] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  one can define the operator (which is bounded and self-adjoint)  $f(T)$  by the equality

$$f(T) := \int_{m-0}^M f(\lambda) dE_\lambda.$$

We need to find  $\sin T$ , where  $(Tx)(t) = tx(t)$ ,  $t \in [0,1]$ .

$$\sin T = \int_0^1 \sin \lambda dE_\lambda.$$

To find the precise form of  $\sin T$  we compute

$$\langle \sin T x, y \rangle = \int_0^1 \sin \lambda d\langle E_\lambda x, y \rangle, \text{ where}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle E_\lambda x, y \rangle &= \int_0^\lambda E_\lambda x(t) \overline{y(t)} dt = \int_0^\lambda \mathbb{I}_{[0,\lambda]}(t) x(t) \overline{y(t)} dt = \\ &= \int_0^\lambda x(t) \overline{y(t)} dt, \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

because  $(E_\lambda x)(t) = \mathbb{I}_{[0,\lambda]}(t) x(t)$  (from lecture 22).

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \sin T x, y \rangle &= \int_0^1 \sin \lambda d\langle E_\lambda x, y \rangle \stackrel{(*)}{=} \\ &= \int_0^1 \sin \lambda d\left( \int_0^\lambda x(t) \overline{y(t)} dt \right) = \int_0^1 \underbrace{\sin \lambda x(\lambda) \overline{y(\lambda)}}_{(Sx)(\lambda)} d\lambda = \\ &= \langle Sx, y \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $((\sin T)x)(t) = \sin t \cdot x(t)$