

LECTURE 38

Prop The spectral projections P_λ commute with T .

Proof follows from

Exercise Let $T \in L(H, H)$ and let P be an orthogonal projection in H .

Then T and P commute iff $\ker P, \text{Im } P$ are invariant subspaces of T .

In particular, if T is self-adjoint then T, P commute iff

$\text{Im } P$ is invariant. (the latter follows from Prop. (35))

Claim $\text{Im } P_\lambda = \ker(T_\lambda^+)$ is an invariant subspace for both T_λ^+, T_λ^- .

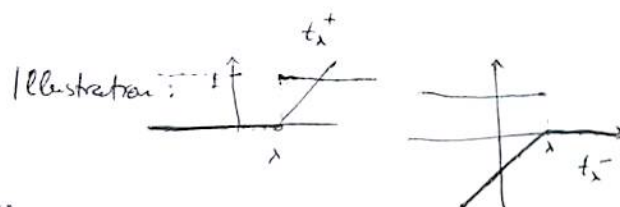
Indeed, let $x \in \ker T_\lambda^+$. Then $T_\lambda^+ x = 0 \in \ker(T_\lambda^+)$.

$$T_\lambda^+(T_\lambda^- x) = T_\lambda^-(T_\lambda^+ x) = 0$$
 (because T_λ^+, T_λ^- commute as functions of T)
 - in fact, $T_\lambda^+ T_\lambda^- = T_\lambda^- T_\lambda^+ = 0$
 as $t_\lambda^+ t_\lambda^- = t_\lambda^- t_\lambda^+ = 0$

Hence $T_\lambda^- x \in \ker T_\lambda^+$.

It follows that T_λ^+, T_λ^- commute with P_λ ; so does $T_\lambda = \frac{T_\lambda^+ + T_\lambda^-}{2}$. QED.

Cor $T_\lambda^+ = T_\lambda (I - P_\lambda)$; $T_\lambda^- = T_\lambda P_\lambda$



Proof First note that By Prop. above, it suffices to show that

$$T_\lambda^+ = (I - P_\lambda) T_\lambda ; \quad T_\lambda^- = P_\lambda T_\lambda$$

First note that

$$P_\lambda T_\lambda^+ = 0 \quad \text{as } \text{Im}(T_\lambda^+) \subseteq \ker(T_\lambda^+)^{\perp} \quad (\text{as self-adj.})$$

$$= \ker P_\lambda$$

Also,

$$P_\lambda T_\lambda^- = T_\lambda^- \quad \text{as } T_\lambda^+ T_\lambda^- = 0, \text{ thus } \text{Im}(T_\lambda^-) \subseteq \ker(T_\lambda^+) = \text{Im } P_\lambda$$

Therefore,

$$(I - P_\lambda) T_\lambda = (I - P_\lambda) T_\lambda^+ + (I - P_\lambda) T_\lambda^- = T_\lambda^+$$

and

$$P_\lambda T_\lambda = P_\lambda T_\lambda^+ + P_\lambda T_\lambda^- = T_\lambda^-$$

QED

Lemma (localization) For $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2$,

$$\lambda_1 (P_{\lambda_2} - P_{\lambda_1}) \leq T (P_{\lambda_2} - P_{\lambda_1}) \leq \lambda_2 (P_{\lambda_2} - P_{\lambda_1})$$

Proof LHS: $\Leftrightarrow T_{\lambda_1} (P_{\lambda_2} - P_{\lambda_1}) \geq 0$?

$\parallel$
 $T_{\lambda_1} (1 - P_{\lambda_1}) (P_{\lambda_2} - P_{\lambda_1})$ because $P_{\lambda_1} (P_{\lambda_2} - P_{\lambda_1}) = P_{\lambda_1} - P_{\lambda_1} = 0$

$\parallel$
 $T_{\lambda_1}^+ (P_{\lambda_2} - P_{\lambda_1})$ because T_{λ_1} by Cor p. 159

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QED

Similarly, RHS:

• Interpretation. $P_{\lambda_2} - P_{\lambda_1}$ is an orthogonal projection; which it commutes with T . Intuitively, onto the eigenvectors in $\text{cor. to } [\lambda_1, \lambda_2]$.
 Hence $H_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2} := \text{Im} (P_{\lambda_2} - P_{\lambda_1})$ is an invariant subspace of T .

Localization lemma yields: for $x \in H_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2}$,

$$\lambda_1 \langle x, x \rangle \leq \langle Tx, x \rangle \leq \lambda_2 \langle x, x \rangle$$

$\Rightarrow$ $\| (T - \lambda_1 I)|_{H_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2}} \| \leq |\lambda_2 - \lambda_1| \leftarrow \text{small}$

"approx. eigenspace", but may be empty

Lemma (P_λ) form a resolution of

Lemma P_λ is not right-continuous

Proof We have to show $\nexists \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0^+} P_\lambda x = P_{\lambda_0} x \quad \forall x$

By Monotone convergence Thm. (XW), $\exists$ a limit exists: $\exists A \in L(X, X)$

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0^+} P_\lambda x = Ax.$$

We have to show that $P_{\lambda_0} = A$.

By localization lemma,

$$\lambda_0(P_\lambda - P_{\lambda_0}) \leq T(P_\lambda - P_{\lambda_0}) \leq \lambda(E_\lambda - P_{\lambda_0})$$

$$\downarrow \lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0$$

$$\lambda_0(A - P_{\lambda_0}) \leq T(A - P_{\lambda_0}) \leq \lambda_0(A - P_{\lambda_0})$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$T_{\lambda_0}(A - P_{\lambda_0}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Im}(A - E_{\lambda_0}) = \ker T_{\lambda_0}$$

$$\text{Since } T_{\lambda_0}^+ = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0^+} T_\lambda = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0^+} (1 - P_{\lambda_0}) T_\lambda \Rightarrow$$

$$T_{\lambda_0}^+(A - P_{\lambda_0}) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Im}(A - P_{\lambda_0}) \subseteq \ker T_{\lambda_0}^+$$

$\nwarrow P_{\lambda_0}$ projects onto here

$$\Rightarrow P_{\lambda_0}(A - E_{\lambda_0}) = 0 \Rightarrow A - E_{\lambda_0} = P_{\lambda_0}(A - P_{\lambda_0})$$

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$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0^+}$$

$$= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0^+} P_{\lambda_0}(P_\lambda - P_{\lambda_0}) = 0 \quad (\text{as } P_{\lambda_0} P_\lambda = P_{\lambda_0}).$$

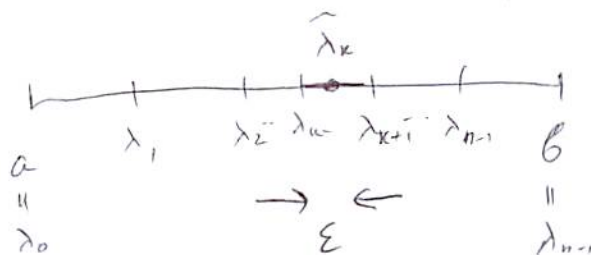
We have proved:

Thm The spectral proj's (P_λ) form a resolution of identity.

QED

Spectral integral (Riemann-Stieltjes)

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$$\Rightarrow \overline{T} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \overline{T} (P_{\lambda_{k+1}} - P_{\lambda_k})$$

By the localization lemma,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \lambda_k (P_{\lambda_{k+1}} - P_{\lambda_k}) \leq \overline{T} \leq \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \lambda_{k+1} (P_{\lambda_{k+1}} - P_{\lambda_k})$$

$\parallel$
 LHS RHS

This is a good approximation because

$$RHS - LHS = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \underbrace{(\lambda_{k+1} - \lambda_k)}_{\in [0, \epsilon]} (P_{\lambda_{k+1}} - P_{\lambda_k})$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq RHS - LHS \leq \epsilon I$$

$$\Rightarrow \|RHS - LHS\| \leq \epsilon$$

We have shown that $\forall \tilde{\lambda}_k \in (\lambda_k, \lambda_{k+1})$,

$$\|\overline{T} - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \tilde{\lambda}_k (P_{\lambda_{k+1}} - P_{\lambda_k})\| \leq \epsilon$$

$\Rightarrow$ Riemann-Stieltjes integral

$$\overline{T} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda dP_{\lambda}$$

Example: discrete case $T = \sum_i \lambda_i Q_i$

Summarizing, we have shown ;

Spectral Thm (Kilbert) ~~Let $T \in L(H, H)$~~

Let T be a bounded self-adjoint op. on a Hilbert space H ,

$$m = \inf_{x \in S_H} \langle Tx, x \rangle ; \quad M = \sup_{x \in S_H} \langle Tx, x \rangle .$$

~~There is a spectral representation~~

There exists a resolution of identity $(P_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}}$ on $[m, M]$ such that i) all P_λ commute with T and ii) T commutes with T ,

$$ii) \quad T = \int_m^M \lambda dP_\lambda .$$

Cor

~~$\|Tx\|^2 = \int_m^M \lambda^2 d\langle P_\lambda x, x \rangle$~~ $\|Tx\|^2 = \int_m^M \lambda^2 d\langle P_\lambda x, x \rangle$

(Ex: prove, using the orthogonality of dP_λ for different λ)

Additional properties; (see (EMT)) ;

~~λ is in the point spectrum~~

Thm (Spectrum).

1. λ_0 is a regular point iff ~~(P_λ)~~ (P_λ) is constant in some neighborhood of λ_0 .
2. λ_0 is in the point spectrum iff λ_0 is a point of discontinuity of (P_λ) .

3. Otherwise λ_0 is in the continuous spectrum, i.e. (P_λ) is not const but continuous at λ_0 .

Thm (Functional calculus) For a continuous function f ,

$$f(T) = \int_m^M f(\lambda) dP_\lambda .$$

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