

Read: Lax, Chapter 8, pages 101–120.

1. Let  $N: X \rightarrow X$  be a normal mapping of an inner product space.
  - (a) Prove that  $\|N\| = \max |n_i|$ , where the  $n_i$ s are the eigenvalues of  $N$ .
  - (b) Show that  $N$  has a square-root, that is, a matrix  $R$  such that  $N = R^2$ . Is  $R$  necessarily normal? Unique?
2. Let  $H: X \rightarrow X$  be self-adjoint, with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$ . Prove the following *max-min* principle:

$$\lambda_k = \max_{\dim S=k} \min_{x \in S \setminus \{0\}} R_H(x).$$

3. For any positive mapping  $M: X \rightarrow X$ , define an inner product on  $X$  by  $\langle x, y \rangle := (x, My)$ . Throughout this problem, assume that  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (a) Find two orthonormal bases for  $X$  that contain the vector  $e_1/\|e_1\|$ , where  $e_1 = (1, 0)$ .
  - (b) Find two orthonormal bases for  $X$  that contain the vector  $e_2/\|e_2\|$ , where  $e_2 = (0, 1)$ .
  - (c) Find an vector  $v_2$  orthogonal to  $v_1 = (1, 1)$ .
  - (d) Find a matrix  $H$  that is self-adjoint with respect to  $(\ , \ )$ , but *not* with respect to  $\langle \ , \ \rangle$ .

4. Let  $H, M: X \rightarrow X$  be self-adjoint mappings, and  $M$  positive.
  - (a) Formulate and prove a necessary and sufficient condition for  $M^{-1}H$  to be self-adjoint with respect to the standard inner product.
  - (b) Prove that  $M^{-1}H$  is self-adjoint with respect to the inner product  $\langle x, y \rangle = (x, My)$ . Conclude that there exists a basis  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  of  $X$  and  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$Hv_i = \mu_i Mv_i, \quad \langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}.$$

- (c) Find formulas for  $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle$  and  $\langle v_i, M^{-1}Hv_j \rangle$  in terms of the standard inner product.
  - (d) Show that if  $H$  is positive, then so is  $M^{-1}H$ .
5. Let  $H, M: X \rightarrow X$  be self-adjoint mappings,  $M$  positive, and define  $R_{H,M}(x) = \frac{(x, Hx)}{(x, Mx)}$ .

- (a) Show that  $\mu_1 := \min\{R_{H,M}(x) \mid x \in X\}$  exists, and write an equation relating  $v_1, \mu_1, H$ , and  $M$ .
  - (b) Show that there is some  $v_2 \in X$  solving the constrained minimum problem

$$\mu_2 := \min \{R_{H,M}(x) \mid (x, Mv_1) = 0\}.$$

Write an equation relating  $v_2, \mu_2, H$ , and  $M$ .

- (c) Find an invertible  $U$  and diagonal  $D$  such that  $U^*MU = I$  and  $U^*HU = D$ .
  - (d) Characterize the diagonal entries of  $D$  by a min-max principle.