



QUADRATIC OPERATORS ON A LINEAR SPACE

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Abstract:

We have defined Quadratic operators on a linear space and also we extend this concept to Hilbert Space. We have studied some interesting theorems on a Quadratic operators which is in connection of spectral family.

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INTRODUCTION

Quadratic Operator: Let $T:H \rightarrow H$ be a positive self-adjoint operator on a complex Hilbert Space H . Then a bounded self-adjoint operator A is called a Quadratic Operator of T if

$$A^2 = T$$

..... (i)

In in addition, $A \geq O$ then A is called a positive quadratic operator of T and is denoted by

$$A = T^{1/2}$$

where, $A = T^{1/2}$ exists and is unique.¹

Positive Operator : If T is self-adjoint (Tx, x) is real then we may consider the set of all bounded self-adjoint linear operators on a complex Hilbert space H and introduce this set a partial ordering \leq by defining

(i) $T_1 \leq T_2$, if and only if $(T_1 x, x) < (T_2 x, x)$

For all $x \in H$. Instead of $T_1 \geq T_2$ we also write $T_2 \geq T_1$

A bounded self-adjoint linear operator $T:H \rightarrow H$ is said to Positive

$T \geq O$ if and only if $(Tx, X) \geq 0$

For all $x \in H$. Instead of $T \geq O$, we also write $O \leq T$. in fact such an operator should be called “non-negative” but “positive” is the as usual term.

The simple relation between (i) and (ii), namely $T_1 \leq T_2 \Leftrightarrow O \leq T_2 - T_1$

i.e. (i) holds if and only if $T_2 - T_1$ is positive.²

Role of Quadratic Operator with Spectral Family :

Application of Quadratic Operator will be considered in a Spectral family of a bounded self-adjoint linear operator. Quadratic operator will play a basic role in connection with the Spectral representation of bounded self-adjoint linear operators.³

Spectral Family of a Bounded Self-adjoint linear operator :

With a given self-adjoint operator $T : H \rightarrow H$ on a complex Hilbert space H we can associate a spectral family ξ such that ξ may be used for spectral representation of T .

To define ξ , we need the operator :-

1. $T_\lambda = T - \lambda I$. The positive quadratic operator of T_λ^2 which we denote B_λ , thus
2. $B_\lambda = (T_\lambda^2)^{1/2}$ and the operator
3. $T_\lambda^+ = 1/2 (B_\lambda + T_\lambda)$ which is called the positive part of T_λ .

The spectral family ξ of T is then defined by $\xi = (E_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}}$, where E_λ is the projection of H onto the null space $N(T_\lambda^+)$ of T_λ^+ consider at first the operators:

$$B = (T^2)^{1/2} \text{ (Positive part of } T^2)$$

$$T^+ = 1/2 (B+T) \text{ (Positive part of } T)$$

$$T^- = 1/2 (B-T) \text{ (negative part of } T)$$

And the projections of H onto the null space of T^+ which we denote by E , that is $E:H \rightarrow Y = N(T^+)$ (3)

4. $T = T^+ - T^-$
5. $B = T^+ + T^-$.⁴

THEOREMS AND LEMMAS

Theorem 1 : If two bounded self-adjoint linear operators S and T on a Hilbert Space H are positive and cominute ($ST = TS$), then their Positive St is positive.

Proof : We show that $(S Tx, x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in H$. If $S = O$, this holds. Let $S \neq O$. We proceed in two steps :

- (a) We consider, $S_1 = \frac{1}{\|S\|} S$, $S_{n+1} = S_n - S_n^2$
 (ii)

where $n = 1, 2, \dots$. And prove by induction that $0 \leq S_n \leq 1$.

- (iii)

- (b) We prove that $(ST_{x,x}) \geq 0$ for all $X \in H$.

The following are the details :

- (a) For $n = 1$ the inequality (iii) holds. Indeed, the assumptions $0 \leq S$ implies $0 \leq S$, and $S_1 \leq 1$ is obtained by an application of the Schwarz inequality and the inequality

$$\|Sx\| \leq \|S\| \|X\| : (S_1x, x) = \frac{1}{\|S\|} (Sx, x) \leq \frac{1}{\|S\|} \|Sx\| \|x\|$$

$$\leq \|x\|^2 = (1x, x)$$

Suppose (iii) holds for an $n = k$, that is,

$$0 \leq S_k \leq 1, \text{ thus } 0 \leq 1 - S_k \leq 1$$

Since S_k is self-adjoint, for every $x \in H$ and $y = S_k X$, we obtain

$$(S_k^2 (1 - S_k)x, x) - ((1 - S_k) S_k x, S_k x) = ((1 - S_k) y, y) \geq 0.$$

By definition this proves

$$S_k^2 (1 - S_k) \geq 0$$

Similarly,

$$S_k (1 - S_k)^2 \geq 0$$

By addition and simplification,

$$0 \leq S_k^2 (1 - S_k) + (S_k (1 - S_k)^2) = S_k S_k^2 = S_k + 1$$

Hence, $0 \leq S_{k+1}$. And $S_{k+1} \leq 1$ follows from $S_k^2 \geq 0$ and $1 - S_k \geq 0$

by addition; indeed,

$$0 \leq 1 - S_k + S_k^2 = 1 - S_{k+1}.$$

This completes the inductive proof of (iii).

(b) We now show that $(STx, x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in H$. From (ii)

$$S_1 = S_1^2 + S_2^2 + S_3^2$$

.....

$$= S_1^2 + S_2^2 + S_3^2 + \dots + S_n^2 + S_{n+1}$$

Since $S_{n+1} \geq 0$, this implies

$$S_1^2 + S_2^2 + S_3^2 + \dots + S_n^2 = S_1 - S_{n+1} \leq S_1. \quad (\text{iv})$$

By the definition of \leq and the self-adjointness of S_i this means

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \|S_i x\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (S_i x, S_i x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (S_i^2 x, x) \leq (S_1 x, x).$$

Since n is arbitrary, the infinite series

$$\|S_1 x\|^2 + \|S_2 x\|^2 + \dots \text{ Converges.}$$

Hence, $\|S_n x\| \rightarrow 0$ and $S_n x \rightarrow 0$ by (iv),

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n S_i^2\right) x = (S_1 - S_{n+1}) x \rightarrow S_1 x \quad (n \rightarrow \infty) \quad \dots \quad (\text{v})$$

All the S_i s commute with T since they are sums and the products of $S_1 = \|S\|^{-1} S$, and T commute.

Using $S = \|S\| S_1$, from (V), $T \geq 0$ and continuity of inner product. We thus obtain for every $x \in H$ and $Y_i = S_i x$,

$$\begin{aligned} (STx, x) &= \|S\| (T S_1 x, x) \\ &= \|S\| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n T S_i^2 x, x) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \|S\| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n (Ty_i, Y_1) \geq 0$$

That is, $(STx, x) \geq 0$ (vi)

The partial order relation defined by (2) also suggests the following concepts: so that S_n

$S_m \geq S_n^2$, Together

$$S_m^2 \geq S_n S_m \geq S_n^2 \quad (m < n)$$

By definition, using self adjointness of S_n , we thus have

$$(S_m^2 x, x) \geq (S_n S_m x, x) \geq (S_n^2 x, x) = (S_n x, S_n x) \quad \dots \dots \dots \text{(vii)}$$

This shows that $(S_n^2 x, x)$ with fixed x is a monotone decreasing sequence of non- negative numbers. Hence it converges.

We know that (T_n, x) converges. By assumption, every T_n commutes with every T_m & with K . Hence the S_i 's all commute. These operators are self adjoints.

Since $-2(S_n x, x) \leq -2(S_n^2 x, x)$ by

(vii) where $m < n$, we thus obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_m^x - S_n^x\|^2 &= \{(S_m - S_n)x, (S_m - S_n)x\} \\ &= \{(S_n - S_m)^2 x, x\} \\ &= (S_n^2 x, x) - 2(S_n S_m x, x) + (S_m^2 x, x) \\ &\leq (S_m^2 x, x) - (S_n^2 x, x). \end{aligned}$$

From this and the convergence proved in part (a) we see that $(S_n x)$ is Cauchy. It converges since H is complete. Now $T_n = k - S_n$. Hence $(S_n x)$ also converges. Clearly the limit depends on x , so that we can write $T_n x \rightarrow T x$ for every $x \in E_n$ hence this defines an operator $T: H \rightarrow H$ which is linear. T is self-adjoint because T_n is self-adjoint and the inner product is continuous. Since $(T_n x)$ converges, it is bounded for every $x \in E_n$.

Theorem 2: every positive bounded self-adjoint linear operator $T: H \rightarrow H$ on a complex Hilbert space H has a positive quadratic operator A , which is unique. This operator A commutes with every bounded linear operator on H which commutes with T .

Proof: We proceed in three steps :

- (a) We show that if the theorem holds under the additional assumptions $T \leq 1$, it also holds without that assumptions.
- (b) We obtain the existence of operator $A = T^{1/2}$ from $A_n x \rightarrow A x$, where $A_0 = 0$ and $A_{n+1} = A_n + 1/2 (T - A_n^2)$, $n = 0, 1, \dots$
- (c) We prove uniqueness of the positive quadratic operators.

Now,

- (a) If $T = 0$, we can take $A = T^{1/2} = 0$. Let $T \neq 0$. By the Schwarz inequality.

Dividing by $\|T\| \neq 0$ and setting $Q \leq 1$. Assuming that Q has a unique positive quadratic operator $B = Q^{1/2}$, we have $B^2 = Q$ and we see that a quadratic of $T = \|T\| Q$ is $\|T\|^{1/2} B$ because $(\|T\|^{1/2} B)^2 = \|T\| B^2 = \|T\| Q = T$.

Also, it is not difficult to see that uniqueness of $Q^{1/2}$ implies uniqueness of the positive quadratic operator of T .

Existence : We consider (i), since $A_0 = O$, we have $A_1 = 1/2 T$, $A_2 = T - 1/8 T^2$ etc. Each A_n is a polynomial in T . Hence the A_n 's are self adjoints Q all commute and they also commute with every operator that T commutes with. We now prove

$$(ii) \quad A_n \leq 1, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$(iii) \quad A_n \leq A_{n+1} \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$(iv) \quad A_n x \rightarrow A_x \quad A = T^{1/2}$$

$$(v) \quad ST = TS \Rightarrow AS = SA$$

Where S is a bounded linear operator on H .

Proof (ii) : We have $A_0 \leq 1$. Let $n > 0$. Since $1 - A_{n-1}$ is self adjoint,

$$(1 - A_{n-1})^2 \geq O. \text{ Also } T \leq 1 \Rightarrow 1 - T \geq O$$

From this and (i), we obtain (ii) :

$$O \leq 1/2 (1 - A_{n-1})^2 + 1/2 (1 - T)$$

$$= 1 - A_{n-1} - 1/2 (T - A_{n-1}^2)$$

$$= 1 - A_n$$

Proof (iii) : We use induction (i) gives $O = A_0 \leq A_1 = 1/2 T$.

We show that $A_{n-1} \leq A_n$ for any fixed n implies

$$A_n \leq A_{n-1}.$$

From (i) we calculate directly

$$A_{n+1} - A_n = A_n + 1/2 (T - A_n^2) - A_{n-1} - 1/2 (T - A_{n-1}^2)$$

$$= (A_n - A_{n-1}) [1 - 1/2 (A_n + A_{n-1})]$$

Here $(A_n - A_{n-1}) \geq O$ by hypothesis and $[1 - 1/2 (A_n + A_{n-1})] > O$ by (iii)

Hence $A_{n+1} - A_n \geq O$.

By product of positive operators :- If two bounded self-adjoint operators S and T on Hilbert Space H are positive and commute ($ST = TS$) and then their product ST is positive].⁵

Proof (iv) : $\{A_n\}$ is monotone by (iii) and $A_n \leq 1$ by (ii).

Hence the existence of a bounded self adjoint linear operator

A such that $A_n x \rightarrow A x$ for all $x \in H$. Since $\{A_n X\}$ converges

(i) gives

$$A_{n+1} X - A_n X = 1/2 (T - A_n^2 X) \rightarrow O$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence $Tx - A^2x = O$ for all x , that is $T = A^2$.

Also $A \geq O$ because $O = A_0 \leq A_n$ by (iii), that is $(A_n x, x) \geq O$ for every $x \in E_n$ which implies $(A_n x, x) \geq O$ for every $x \in H$ by the continuity of the inner product.

Proof (V) : We know that $ST = TS$ implies $A_n S = S A_n$, that is $A_n Sx = S A_n x$ for all $x \in E_n$.

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain (v)

(c) Uniqueness :

Let both A and B be positive quadratic of T .

Then $A^2 = B^2 = T$.

Also $BT = BB^2 = TB$, so that $AB = BA$ by (V)

Let $x \in H$ be arbitrary and $y = (A-B)x$. Then.

$(Ay, y) \geq O$ and $(By, y) \geq O$ because $A \geq O$ and $B \geq O$

Using $AB = BA$ and $A^2 = B^2$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (Ay, y) + (By, y) &= \{(A+B)y, y\} \\ &= \{(A^2 - B^2)x, y\} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence $(Ay, y) = (By, y) = O$. Since $A \geq O$ and A is self adjoint, it has itself positive quadratic C , that is $A^2 = C$ is self adjoint. We thus obtain,

$O = (Ay, y) = (C^2 y, y) = (Cy, Cy) = \|Cy\|^2$ and

$Cy = O$. Also $Ay = (C^2 y) = C(Cy) = O$

Similarly, $By = O$. Hence, $(A-B)y = O$. Using $y = (A-B)x$, we have thus for all $x \in H$.

$$\|Ax - Bx\|^2 = \{(A-B)^2 x, x\} = \{(A-B)y, x\} = O$$

This shows that $Ax - Bx = O$ for all $x \in H$ and proves that $A = B$.

Theorem 3 : Let $T:H \rightarrow H$ be bounded positive self-adjoint linear operator on a complex Hilbert space using the positive quadratic of T , to show that for all $x, y \in H$.

$$|(Tx, y)| \leq (Tx, x)^{1/2} (Ty, y)^{1/2}$$

also for all $x \in H$, $\|Tx\| \leq \|T\|^{1/2} (Ty, y)^{1/2}$

Proof : Since $T = T^{1/2} T^{1/2}$ is self-adjoint,

$$\begin{aligned} |(Tx, y)| &= |(T^{1/2} x, T^{1/2} y)| \leq \|T^{1/2} x\| \|T^{1/2} y\| \\ &= (T^{1/2} x, T^{1/2} x)^{1/2} (T^{1/2} y, T^{1/2} y)^{1/2} \\ &= (Tx, x)^{1/2} (Ty, y)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

For all $x, y \in H$.

Now $x \in H$ then,

If $Tx = 0$, then inequality holds.

Let $Tx \neq 0$. We write $y = Tx$, we obtain,

$$\|Tx\|^2 \leq (Tx, x)^{1/2} (T^2 x, Tx)^{1/2}$$

Since,

$$\begin{aligned} (T^2x, Tx) &\leq \|T^2x, Tx\|^{1/2} \\ &\leq \|T\| \|Tx\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\|Tx\|^2 \leq (Tx, x)^{1/2} \|T\|^{1/2} \|Tx\|$$

And division by $\|Tx\|$

$$\|Tx\| \leq (Tx, x)^{1/2} \|T\|^{1/2}$$

Thus quadratic operator in linear space with Hilbert space has been discussed and proved.

Lemma 4 :(operators related to T) - the operators just defined have the following properties :

- (a) B, T^+ and T^- are bounded and self-adjoint.
- (b) B, T^+ and T^- commute with every bounded linear operator that T commutes with; in particular.
 - (A) $BT = TB; T^+T = TT^+; T^-T = TT^-; T^+T^- = T^-T^+$
- (c) E commutes with every bounded self-adjoint linear operator that T commutes with; in particular:
 - (B) $ET = TE \quad EB = BE$
- (d) Furthermore,
 - (C) $T^+T^- = 0 \quad T^-T^+ = 0$
 - (D) $T^+E = ET^+ = 0 \quad T^-E = ET^- = T^-$
 - (E) $TE = -T^- \quad T(1-E) = T^+$
 - (F) $T^+ \geq 0 \quad T^- \leq 0$

Proof :(a) is clear since T and B are bounded and self-adjoint.

(b) Suppose that $TS = ST$. Then $T^2S = TST = ST^2$, and $BS=SB$ follows from theorem 2 applied to T^2

Hence,

$$T + S = 1/2 (BS + TS) = 1/2 (SB + ST) = ST^+$$

The proof of $T^-S = ST^-$ is similar.

(c) For every $x \in H$ we have $y = Ex \quad Ey = N(T^+)$.

Hence, $T^+y = 0 \quad ST^+y = SO = O$. From $TS = ST$ and (b) we have

$$ST^+ = T^+S \quad Ex = T^+Sy =$$

$ST^+y = 0$. Hence $SE_x = Ey$. Since E projects H onto y.

We thus have $ESEx = SEx$ for every $X \in H$,

that is, $ESE = SE$. A Projection is self-adjoint by projection

$$ES = E^*S^* = (SE)^* = (ESE)^* = E^*S^*E^* = ESE = SE.$$

(d) We prove (C) - (F).

Proof of (C) :

From $B = (T^2)^{1/2}$, we have $B^2 = T^2$, Also $BT = TB$ by (A).

Hence, again by (A),

$$\begin{aligned} T^+ T^- &= T^- T^+ = 1/2 (B - T) 1/2 (B + T) \\ &= 1/4 (B^2 + BT - TB - T^2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of (D) :

By definition, $E \times E \in N(T^+)$, so that $T^+ E x = 0$ for all $x \in H$.

Since T^+ is self adjoint, we have $ET^+ x =$

0 by (A) and (C), that is $ET^+ = T^+ E = 0$

Again $T^+ T^- x = 0$ by (C) so that $T^- x \in N(T^+)$. Hence $ET^- x = T^- x$.

Since T^- is self-adjoint (C) yields

$T^- E x = ET^- x = T^- x$ for all $x \in H$, that is

$$T^- E = ET^- = T^-.$$

Proof of (E) :

From (4) by Introduction and (D) we have,

$TE = (T^+ - T^-) E = -T^-$ and this again by (4),

$$T(1 - E) = T - TE = T^+.$$

Proof of (F) :

By (D) and (5) of introduction and theorem (1),

$$T^- = ET^- + ET^+ = E(T^- + T^+) = EB \geq 0.$$

because $1 - E \geq 0$.

Lemma 5 : (Operators related to T_λ) : The previous lemma remains true if we replace T , B , T^+ , T^- , E by T_λ , B_λ , T_λ^+ , T_λ^- , E_λ , respectively, where λ is real. Moreover, for any real K , μ , ν , L the following operators all commute :

$$T_k, B_\lambda, T_\mu^+, E_1.$$

Proof : The first statement is obvious. To obtain the second statement, we note that $IS = SI$ and

$$T_\lambda = T - \lambda I = T - \mu I + (\mu - \lambda) I = T_\mu + (\mu - \lambda) I \text{ ----- (ix)}$$

Hence,

$$ST = TS \Rightarrow ST_\mu = T_\mu S \Rightarrow ST_\lambda = T_\lambda S \Rightarrow SB_\lambda = B_\lambda S, SB_\mu = B_\lambda S,$$

For $S = T_k$ that gives $T_k B_\lambda = B_\lambda T_k$, etc.

Thus we have proved that for a given bounded self-adjoint linear operator T we may define spectral family $\xi = (E_\lambda)$ in a unique fashion.

CONCLUSION

In this way we have discussed elaborately the Quadratic operators in linear space with reference to Hilbert Space and furthermore the role of Quadratic operator with Spectral family has been presented and examined. Application of quadratic operator will be considered in Spectral family of a bounded self-adjoint linear operator. Quadratic operator will play a basic role in connection with the Spectral representation of bounded self adjoint linear operators.

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