

Solutions

Phys 401/OEPE 541: Midterm Exam 2 November 11, 2017

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Problem 1 Let $(V, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$ be a complex inner-product space, W be a subspace of V , and $W^\perp := \{a \in V \mid \text{for all } w \in W, \langle a | w \rangle = 0\}$.

1.a (3 points) Show that the inner product of every element of V with the zero vector o is zero, i.e., for all $v \in V$, $\langle v | o \rangle = 0$.

$$\forall v \in V, \underbrace{0}_{\text{zero number}} \cdot \underbrace{o}_{\text{zero vector}} = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow \langle v | o \rangle = \langle v | 0 \cdot o \rangle = 0 \langle v | o \rangle = 0 \quad \square$$

1.b (3 points) Show that W^\perp is a subspace of V .

$$\forall w \in W, \langle 0 | w \rangle = \langle w | 0 \rangle^* = 0 = \langle 0 | w \rangle \Rightarrow 0 \in W^\perp \quad (1)$$

$$\forall a, b \in W^\perp, \forall w \in W, \langle a | w \rangle = \langle b | w \rangle = 0$$

$$\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}, \langle \alpha a + \beta b | w \rangle = \alpha^* \langle a | w \rangle + \beta^* \langle b | w \rangle = \alpha^* \cdot 0 + \beta^* \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha a + \beta b \in W^\perp \quad (2)$$

(1), (2) $\Rightarrow W^\perp$ is a subspace of V .

1.c (9 points) Suppose that V is 4-dimensional, $B := \{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4\}$ is an orthonormal basis of V , and $W := \text{Span}(\{b_1 + b_2, b_2 - b_3\})$. Find an orthonormal basis for W .

$$\langle b_1 + b_2 | b_1 + b_2 \rangle = \langle b_1 | b_1 \rangle + \langle b_2 | b_2 \rangle = 2 \Rightarrow$$

$u_1 := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(b_1 + b_2)$ is a unit vector belongs to W .

$$\text{let } w_2' := b_2 - b_3 - \langle u_1 | b_2 - b_3 \rangle u_1$$

$$\langle u_1 | b_2 - b_3 \rangle = \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(b_1 + b_2) | b_2 - b_3 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow w_2' = b_2 - b_3 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u_1 = b_2 - b_3 - \frac{1}{2}(b_1 + b_2) = -\frac{1}{2}b_1 + \frac{1}{2}b_2 - b_3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle w_2' | w_2' \rangle &= \langle -\frac{1}{2}b_1 + \frac{1}{2}b_2 - b_3 | -\frac{1}{2}b_1 + \frac{1}{2}b_2 - b_3 \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + 1 = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow w_2 := \frac{1}{\|w_2'\|} w_2' = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left(-\frac{1}{2}b_1 + \frac{1}{2}b_2 - b_3 \right)$$

$\{w_1, w_2\}$ is an orthonormal basis of W .

Problem 2 Let V be a complex inner-product space with inner product $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$, W be a subspace of V , $W^\perp := \{a \in V \mid \text{for all } w \in W, \langle a | w \rangle = 0\}$, $\hat{0}$ and \hat{I} are respectively the zero and identity operators acting in V , and $\hat{\Pi}_\pm : V \rightarrow V$ be the linear operators with domain V that satisfy the following conditions:

1. Range of $\hat{\Pi}_+$ is W .
2. Range of $\hat{\Pi}_-$ is W^\perp .
3. $\hat{\Pi}_+^2 = \hat{\Pi}_+$ and $\hat{\Pi}_-^2 = \hat{\Pi}_-$
4. $\hat{\Pi}_+ + \hat{\Pi}_- = \hat{I}$.

2.a (5 points) Show that $\hat{\Pi}_+ \hat{\Pi}_- = \hat{0}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\Pi}_+ + \hat{\Pi}_- = \hat{I} &\Rightarrow \hat{\Pi}_+ (\hat{\Pi}_+ + \hat{\Pi}_-) = \hat{\Pi}_+ \\ &\Rightarrow \hat{\Pi}_+^2 + \hat{\Pi}_+ \hat{\Pi}_- = \hat{\Pi}_+ \\ &\stackrel{\text{3.}}{\parallel} \hat{\Pi}_+ + \hat{\Pi}_+ \hat{\Pi}_- = \hat{\Pi}_+ \Rightarrow \hat{\Pi}_+ \hat{\Pi}_- = \hat{0} \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

2.b (5 points) Show that W is the null-space of $\hat{\Pi}_-$.

$$\forall a \in W, \quad a = (\hat{\Pi}_- + \hat{\Pi}_+) a = \hat{\Pi}_- a + \hat{\Pi}_+ a$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\Pi}_- a = \underbrace{a}_{\in W} - \underbrace{\hat{\Pi}_+ a}_{\in W} \in W$$

$$\text{Also, } \hat{\Pi}_- a \in \text{Ran}(\hat{\Pi}_-) = W^\perp \quad \Bigg\} \Rightarrow \langle \hat{\Pi}_- a | \hat{\Pi}_- a \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\Pi}_- a = 0 \Rightarrow a \in \text{Nul}(\hat{\Pi}_-) \Rightarrow W \subseteq \text{Nul}(\hat{\Pi}_-) \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Also, } \forall b \in \text{Nul}(\hat{\Pi}_-) - \hat{\Pi}_- b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b = (\hat{\Pi}_- + \hat{\Pi}_+) b = \hat{\Pi}_- b + \hat{\Pi}_+ b = \hat{\Pi}_+ b \in W$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Nul}(\hat{\Pi}_-) \subseteq W \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \ \& \ \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow W = \text{Nul}(\hat{\Pi}_-) \quad \square$$

2.c (5 points) Show that $\hat{\Pi}_+$ and $\hat{\Pi}_-$ are Hermitian operators.

$$\forall a, b \in V, \quad a = (\hat{\Pi}_+ + \hat{\Pi}_-) a = \hat{\Pi}_+ a + \hat{\Pi}_- a$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \langle a | \hat{\Pi}_+ b \rangle &= \langle \hat{\Pi}_+ a + \hat{\Pi}_- a | \hat{\Pi}_+ b \rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{\Pi}_+ a | \hat{\Pi}_+ b \rangle + \langle \hat{\Pi}_- a | \hat{\Pi}_+ b \rangle \xrightarrow{0} \\ &= \langle \hat{\Pi}_+ a | \hat{\Pi}_- b \rangle \quad \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ W^\perp \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ W \end{array} \\ &\textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \hat{\Pi}_+ a | b \rangle &= \langle \hat{\Pi}_+ a | \hat{\Pi}_+ b + \hat{\Pi}_- b \rangle \xrightarrow{0} \\ &= \langle \hat{\Pi}_+ a | \hat{\Pi}_+ b \rangle + \langle \hat{\Pi}_+ a | \hat{\Pi}_- b \rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{\Pi}_+ a | \hat{\Pi}_+ b \rangle \quad \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ W \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ W^\perp \end{array} \\ &\textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \& \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \hat{\Pi}_+^\dagger = \hat{\Pi}_+$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \hat{\Pi}_-^\dagger &= (\hat{I} - \hat{\Pi}_+)^t = \hat{I}^t - \hat{\Pi}_+^\dagger \\ &= \hat{I} - \hat{\Pi}_+ \\ &= \hat{\Pi}_- \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3 Let V , B , and W be as in Problem 1.c., i.e., $B := \{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4\}$ is an orthonormal basis of V , and $W := \text{Span}(\{b_1 + b_2, b_2 - b_3\})$, and $\hat{\Pi}_{\pm}$ are the linear operators defined in Problem 2.

3.a (8 points) Express $\hat{\Pi}_+$ in the form $\sum_{i,j=1}^4 P_{ij} |b_i\rangle\langle b_j|$ where P_{ij} are complex numbers. You are asked to find these numbers.

$\hat{\Pi}_+$ is the orthogonal projection op. onto $W \Rightarrow$

$\hat{\Pi}_+ = |w_1\rangle\langle w_1| + |w_2\rangle\langle w_2|$ when $\{w_1, w_2\}$ is the orthonormal basis of W constructed in Problem 1.c.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \hat{\Pi}_+ &= \frac{1}{2} (|b_1\rangle + |b_2\rangle)(\langle b_1| + \langle b_2|) + \\ &\quad \frac{2}{3} \left(-\frac{1}{2}|b_1\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|b_2\rangle - |b_3\rangle\right) \left(-\frac{1}{2}\langle b_1| + \frac{1}{2}\langle b_2| - \langle b_3|\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}\right) |b_1\rangle\langle b_1| + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6}\right) |b_1\rangle\langle b_2| + \frac{1}{3} |b_1\rangle\langle b_3| + \\ &\quad \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6}\right) |b_2\rangle\langle b_1| + \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}\right) |b_2\rangle\langle b_2| + \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) |b_2\rangle\langle b_3| + \\ &\quad \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) |b_3\rangle\langle b_1| + \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) |b_3\rangle\langle b_2| + \frac{2}{3} |b_3\rangle\langle b_3| \\ &= \frac{2}{3} |b_1\rangle\langle b_1| + \frac{1}{3} (|b_1\rangle\langle b_2| + |b_2\rangle\langle b_1|) + \frac{1}{3} (|b_1\rangle\langle b_3| + |b_3\rangle\langle b_1|) \\ &\quad + \frac{2}{3} |b_2\rangle\langle b_2| - \frac{1}{3} (|b_2\rangle\langle b_3| + |b_3\rangle\langle b_2|) + \frac{2}{3} |b_3\rangle\langle b_3| \end{aligned}$$

3.b (4 points) Compute $(2\hat{\Pi}_+ - 3\hat{\Pi}_-)b_2$.

$$(2\hat{\Pi}_+ - 3\hat{\Pi}_-)b_2 = (2\hat{\Pi}_+ - 3(\hat{I} - \hat{\Pi}_+))b_2 = (5\hat{\Pi}_+ - 3\hat{I})b_2$$

$$\hat{\Pi}_+ |b_2\rangle = \frac{1}{3} |b_1\rangle + \frac{2}{3} |b_2\rangle - \frac{1}{3} |b_3\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (2\hat{\Pi}_+ - 3\hat{\Pi}_-)b_2 &= \frac{5}{3} b_1 + \frac{10}{3} b_2 - \frac{5}{3} b_3 - 3b_2 \\ &= \frac{5}{3} b_1 + \frac{1}{3} b_2 - \frac{5}{3} b_3 \\ &= \frac{1}{3} (5b_1 + b_2 - 5b_3) \end{aligned}$$

3.c (8 points) Find an orthonormal basis for W^\perp .

$$W^\perp = \text{Ran}(\hat{\Pi}_-)$$

$$\hat{\Pi}_- b_2 = (\hat{I} - \hat{\Pi}_+) b_2 = b_2 - \left(\frac{1}{2} b_1 + \frac{2}{3} b_2 - \frac{1}{3} b_3 \right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} b_1 + \frac{1}{3} b_2 + \frac{1}{3} b_3$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3} (b_1 - b_2 - b_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{b_1 - b_2 - b_3 \in W^\perp} \quad (1)$$

Furthermore $\forall w \in W = \text{Span}\{ \frac{1}{2} b_1 + b_2, b_2 - b_3 \}$,

$$\langle b_4 | w \rangle = 0 \quad \text{because} \quad \langle b | b_1 + b_2 \rangle = \langle b_4 | b_2 - b_3 \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{b_4 \in W^\perp} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{So let } a_1 := \frac{b_1 - b_2 - b_3}{\|b_1 - b_2 - b_3\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (b_1 - b_2 - b_3) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_2 := b_4$$

Then $\{a_1, a_2\}$ is an orthonormal basis of W^\perp .

Problem 4 A quantum system is described by a three-dimensional Hilbert space \mathcal{H} with inner product $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$. Suppose that $B := \{b_1, b_2, b_3\}$ is an orthonormal basis of \mathcal{H} , $\psi := 2b_1 + ib_2 + b_3$, λ_ψ is the state defined by the state vector ψ , and $\hat{A}, \hat{B}, \hat{C} : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ be linear operators defined in \mathcal{H} according to $\hat{A} := |b_1\rangle\langle b_3| - 2i|b_3\rangle\langle b_1|$ and $\hat{B} = \hat{A}^\dagger \hat{A}$ and $\hat{C} = \hat{A} + \hat{A}^\dagger + |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$.

4.a (15 points) Compute possible values one can obtain, if one measures \hat{B} in the state λ_ψ and determine the probability of measuring these values.

$$\hat{B} = (|b_3\rangle\langle b_1| + 2i|b_1\rangle\langle b_3|)(\langle b_1| \langle b_3| - 2i|b_3\rangle\langle b_1|)$$

$$= |b_3\rangle\langle b_3| + 4|b_1\rangle\langle b_1|$$

clear $\hat{B}|b_1\rangle = 4|b_1\rangle$

$$\hat{B}|b_3\rangle = |b_3\rangle$$

$$\hat{B}|b_2\rangle = 0$$

\Rightarrow Eigenvalues of \hat{B} are, 4, 0, and 1 with eigenvectors $|b_1\rangle, |b_2\rangle, \text{ and } |b_3\rangle$ respectively.

Possible values of measuring \hat{B} are:

1) $\beta_1 = 4$ with probability:

$$P_{\beta_1}(\lambda_\psi) = \frac{\langle 4|b_1\rangle\langle b_1|\psi\rangle}{\langle \psi|\psi\rangle} = \frac{|\langle b_1|\psi\rangle|^2}{\langle \psi|\psi\rangle} = \frac{4}{4+1+1} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

2) $\beta_2 = 0$ with probability:

$$P_{\beta_2}(\lambda_\psi) = \frac{\langle \psi|b_2\rangle\langle b_2|\psi\rangle}{\langle \psi|\psi\rangle} = \frac{|\langle b_2|\psi\rangle|^2}{\langle \psi|\psi\rangle} = \frac{|i|^2}{6} = \frac{1}{6}$$

3) $\beta_3 = 1$ with probability:

$$P_{\beta_3}(\lambda_\psi) = \frac{\langle \psi|b_3\rangle\langle b_3|\psi\rangle}{\langle \psi|\psi\rangle} = \frac{|\langle b_3|\psi\rangle|^2}{\langle \psi|\psi\rangle} = \frac{1}{6}$$

4.b (5 points) Compute the expectation value of \hat{B} in the state λ_ψ .

$$\langle \hat{B} \rangle_{\lambda_\psi} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 4 + \frac{1}{6} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{6} \cdot 1 = \frac{16+1}{6} = \frac{17}{6}$$

We can also compute it as follows

$$\langle \hat{B} \rangle_{\lambda_\psi} = \frac{\langle + | \hat{B} | + \rangle}{\langle + | + \rangle} \quad \hat{B} | + \rangle = (1b_3 \langle b_3 | + 41b_1 \langle b_1 |) (2|b_1\rangle + 1|b_2\rangle + 1|b_3\rangle)$$

$$= | \hat{B} | + \rangle = 1b_3 \rangle + 8|b_1 \rangle \rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle + | \hat{B} | + \rangle = (2\langle b_1 | + i\langle b_2 | + \langle b_3 |) (1b_3 \rangle + 8|b_1 \rangle) = 16 + 1 = 17$$

$$\langle + | + \rangle = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \hat{B} \rangle_{\lambda_\psi} = \frac{17}{6} \quad \checkmark$$

4.c (5 points) Compute the uncertainty in measuring \hat{B} in the state λ_ψ .

$$\Delta \hat{B}_{\lambda_\psi} = \sqrt{\langle \hat{B}^2 \rangle_{\lambda_\psi} - \langle \hat{B} \rangle_{\lambda_\psi}^2}$$

$$\langle \hat{B}^2 \rangle_{\lambda_\psi} = \frac{\langle + | \hat{B}^2 | + \rangle}{\langle + | + \rangle} = \frac{\langle \hat{B} | + \rangle \langle \hat{B} | + \rangle}{\langle + | + \rangle} = \frac{\| \hat{B} | + \rangle \|^2}{\| + \|^2} = \frac{1+64}{6} = \frac{65}{6}$$

$$\langle \hat{B} \rangle_{\lambda_\psi}^2 = \left(\frac{17}{6} \right)^2 = \frac{289}{36}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta \hat{B}_{\lambda_\psi} = \sqrt{\frac{65}{6} - \frac{289}{36}} = \frac{1}{6} \sqrt{390 - 289} = \frac{\sqrt{101}}{6} \approx \frac{5}{3} \approx 1.67$$

4.d (15 points) Suppose that we measure \hat{B} when the system is in the state $|\psi\rangle$ and then measure \hat{C} . Supposing that the time between the two measurements is negligibly small, find the expectation value of the outcome of the second measurement.

$$\hat{C} = \hat{A} + \hat{A}^\dagger + |1\rangle\langle 1| \quad \hat{A} = |b_1\rangle\langle b_3| - 2i|b_3\rangle\langle b_1|$$

Expectation value of second measure (\mathcal{E}) is sum of possible values of the measurement γ_i times their probabilities \mathcal{P}_i , i.e., $\sum_i \mathcal{P}_i \gamma_i$ if we know the state in which \hat{C} is measured. If Π_i^C is the orthogonal projection onto the eigenspace of γ_i , $\mathcal{P}_i = \frac{\langle \psi | \Pi_i^C | \psi \rangle}{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle}$ when ψ is a state vector in which \hat{C} is measured. $\psi \in \Pi_j^B \psi$ where Π_j^B are the orthogonal projection operators on the eigenspace $V_j^B = \text{null}(\hat{B} - \beta_j \hat{I})$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi &= \psi_1 := \Pi_1^B \psi \quad \text{with probability } \frac{2}{3} \\ \psi &= \psi_2 := \Pi_2^B \psi \quad \text{" " " } \frac{1}{6} \\ \psi &= \psi_3 := \Pi_3^B \psi \quad \text{" " " } \frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

So the exp. value of the second measurement is

$$\mathcal{E} = \sum_i \left[\frac{2}{3} \frac{\langle \psi_1 | \Pi_i^C | \psi_1 \rangle}{\langle \psi_1 | \psi_1 \rangle} + \frac{1}{6} \frac{\langle \psi_2 | \Pi_i^C | \psi_2 \rangle}{\langle \psi_2 | \psi_2 \rangle} + \frac{1}{6} \frac{\langle \psi_3 | \Pi_i^C | \psi_3 \rangle}{\langle \psi_3 | \psi_3 \rangle} \right] \gamma_i$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \langle \hat{C} \rangle_{\psi_1} + \frac{1}{6} \langle \hat{C} \rangle_{\psi_2} + \frac{1}{6} \langle \hat{C} \rangle_{\psi_3}$$

$$|\psi_1\rangle = |b_1\rangle\langle b_1 | \psi \rangle = 2|b_1\rangle \quad (2|b_1\rangle + i|b_2\rangle + |b_3\rangle)$$

$$|\psi_2\rangle = |b_2\rangle\langle b_2 | \psi \rangle = -i|b_2\rangle$$

$$|\psi_3\rangle = |b_3\rangle\langle b_3 | \psi \rangle = |b_3\rangle$$



$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi_1 | \hat{C} | \phi_1 \rangle &= 4 \langle b_1 | (\hat{A} + \hat{A}^\dagger + |+\rangle\langle +|) | b_1 \rangle \\ &= 4 \left[\underbrace{\langle b_1 | \hat{A} | b_1 \rangle}_0 + \underbrace{\langle b_1 | \hat{A}^\dagger | b_1 \rangle}_0 + \underbrace{|\langle b_1 | + \rangle|^2}_2 \right] \\ &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi_2 | \hat{C} | \phi_2 \rangle &= \langle b_2 | \left[\underbrace{\langle b_2 | \hat{A} | b_2 \rangle}_0 + \underbrace{\langle b_2 | \hat{A}^\dagger | b_2 \rangle}_0 + \underbrace{|\langle b_2 | + \rangle|^2}_1 \right] \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi_3 | \hat{C} | \phi_3 \rangle &= \langle b_3 | \left[\underbrace{\langle b_3 | \hat{A} | b_3 \rangle}_0 + \underbrace{\langle b_3 | \hat{A}^\dagger | b_3 \rangle}_0 + \underbrace{|\langle b_3 | + \rangle|^2}_1 \right] \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{E} \langle \phi_1 | \phi_1 \rangle = 64, \quad \langle \phi_2 | \phi_2 \rangle = \langle \phi_3 | \phi_3 \rangle = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \hat{C} \rangle_{\phi_1} = \frac{16}{4} = 4, \quad \langle \hat{C} \rangle_{\phi_2} = \langle \hat{C} \rangle_{\phi_3} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\mathcal{E} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 4 + \frac{1}{6} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{6} \cdot 1 = 3}$$

Problem 5 (10 points) Consider a quantum system with a finite-dimensional Hilbert space \mathcal{H} , and suppose that we measure an observable given by a linear operator \hat{O} acting in \mathcal{H} . Show that the only way in which we can know the outcome of measuring \hat{O} in a state λ before the measurement is that λ is an eigenstate of \hat{O} , i.e., $\lambda = \text{Span}(\{\psi\})$, where ψ is an eigenvector of \hat{O} . let $\psi \in \lambda$ so that $\lambda = \text{Span}(\{\psi\})$.

$$\Delta_{\lambda, \psi}^{\hat{O}} = 0 \iff \frac{\langle \psi | (\hat{O} - \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\lambda, \psi} \mathbb{I})^2 | \psi \rangle}{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \iff 0 &= \langle \psi | (\hat{O} - \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\lambda, \psi} \mathbb{I}) (\hat{O} - \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\lambda, \psi} \mathbb{I}) | \psi \rangle \\ &= \langle (\hat{O} - \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\lambda, \psi} \mathbb{I}) \psi | (\hat{O} - \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\lambda, \psi} \mathbb{I}) \psi \rangle \\ &\hookrightarrow \text{because } \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\lambda, \psi} \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \hat{O} - \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\lambda, \psi} \mathbb{I} \text{ is Hermitic} \end{aligned}$$

$$\iff (\hat{O} - \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\lambda, \psi} \mathbb{I}) | \psi \rangle = 0$$

$$\iff \hat{O} | \psi \rangle = \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\lambda, \psi} | \psi \rangle$$

$$| \psi \rangle \neq 0$$

$$\langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\lambda, \psi} \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\hookrightarrow | \psi \rangle$ is an eigenvector

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$\lambda = \lambda_{\psi}$ is an eigenstate.