

**M.Sc. Sem. I**  
**Mathematics**

Paper IV  
Linear Algebra

Uniform norm on  $L(\mathbb{R}^n)$

If  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is an operator, the uniform norm of  $T$  is defined to be

$$\|T\| = \max \{ |Tx| / |x| \leq 1 \}.$$

**Lemma 1.** Let  $\mathbb{R}^n$  be given a norm  $|x|$ . The corresponding uniform norm on  $L(\mathbb{R}^n)$  has the following properties:

(a) If  $\|T\| = k$ , then  $|Tx| \leq k|x|$  for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(b)  $\|ST\| \leq \|S\| \|T\|$ .

(c)  $\|T^m\| \leq \|T\|^m$  for all  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ .

Proposition. Let P,S,T denote operators on  $R^n$ . Then:

(a) if  $Q = PTP^{-1}$ , then  $e^Q = Pe^T P^{-1}$ ;

(b) if  $ST = TS$ , then  $e^{S+T} = e^S e^T$ ;

(c)  $e^{-S} = (e^S)^{-1}$ ;

(d) if  $n = 2$  and  $T = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$ , then

$$e^T = e^a \begin{bmatrix} \cos b & -\sin b \\ \sin b & \cos b \end{bmatrix}.$$

# The Primary Decomposition

Let  $E$  be a vector space real or complex and  $T$  be an operator on  $E$ . Assume that  $T$  has distinct real eigenvalues say  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$ .

The characteristic polynomial of  $T$  is given as

$$p(t) = \prod_{k=1}^r (t - \lambda_k)^{n_k}.$$

Here the integer  $n_k$  is the multiplicity of  $\lambda_k$ ; note that

$$n_1 + \dots + n_k = \dim E.$$

The generalized eigenspace of  $T$  belonging to  $\lambda_k$  is defined to be the subspace

$$E(T, \lambda_k) = \text{Ker}(T - \lambda_k I)^{n_k} \subset E.$$

This subspace is invariant under  $T$ .

**Primary Decomposition Theorem:** Let  $T$  be an operator on  $E$ , where  $E$  is real or complex vector space and  $T$  has real eigenvalues.

Then  $E$  is the direct sum of the generalized eigenspaces of  $T$ . The dimension of each generalized eigenspace equals the multiplicity of the corresponding eigenvalue.

**Theorem:** Let  $T \in L(E)$ , where  $E$  is complex if  $T$  has a nonreal eigenvalue. Then  $T=S+N$ , where  $SN=NS$  and  $S$  is diagonalizable and  $N$  is nilpotent.