

Imp.  
Exp.

Let  $H$  be a hermitian form on inner product space  $V$  over field  $F$  ( $R$  or  $C$ ).

Then linear mapping/operator  $T: V \rightarrow V$  itself is  $H$ -unitary or unitary operator if and only if

$$H(Tx, Ty) = H(x, y)$$

$$\forall x, y \in V.$$

$$\text{and } H(Tx, Tx) = H(x, x) \\ x \in V$$

Proof By the definition of a unitary operator

Let  $x, y \in V$

$$H(Tx, T(x)) = H(x, x) \quad \forall x \in V$$

$$\text{or } H(Tx, Ty) = H(x, y) \quad \forall x \in V \\ \forall y \in V$$

Now

$$H(T(x+y), T(x+y)) = H(Tx, Tx) + H(Ty, Ty) \\ + H(Tx, Ty) + H(Ty, Tx)$$

By unitary definition.

$$H(x+y, x+y) = H(x, x) + H(y, y) + H(x, y) \\ + H(y, x)$$

$$\underline{H(x, x) + H(x, y) + H(y, x) + H(y, y)} = \underline{H(x, x) + H(Tx, Tx)} \\ + H(Ty, Tx) \\ + \underline{H(y, y)}$$

Then

$$H(x, y) + H(y, x) = H(Tx, Ty) + H(Ty, Tx) \\ \text{--- (1)}$$

(i) If the field of scalars is real then  $H$  is symmetric i.e.  $H(x, y) = H(y, x)$   
or  $H(Tx, Ty) = H(Ty, Tx)$

Then Eqn (1) we get

$$H(x, y) + H(x, y) = H(T(x), T(y)) + H(T(x), T(y))$$

$$2H(x, y) = 2H(T(x), T(y))$$

$$\therefore H(x, y) = H(T(x), T(y))$$

Hence proved.

(ii) If the field is complex, replacing  $x$  by  $ix$  in Eqn (1) Then we get

$$H(ix, y) + H(y, ix) = H(T(ix), T(y)) + H(T(y), T(ix))$$

$$iH(x, y) + \bar{i}H(y, x) = iH(T(x), T(y)) + \bar{i}H(T(y), T(x))$$

$$i[H(x, y) - H(y, x)] = i[H(T(x), T(y)) - H(T(y), T(x))]$$

$$H(x, y) - H(y, x) = H(T(x), T(y)) - H(T(y), T(x))$$

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Adding Eqn (1) & (2)

$$2H(x, y) = 2H(T(x), T(y))$$

$$H(x, y) = H(T(x), T(y))$$

Hence proved