

### XIII.3 Spectral decomposition of an (unbounded) selfadjoint operator

**Proposition 14** (measurable calculus via integral). *Let  $T \in L(H)$  be a normal operator. Let  $E_T$  be its spectral measure and  $\mathcal{A}_T$  the respective  $\sigma$ -algebra. If  $g$  is a bounded  $\mathcal{A}_T$ -measurable function, then  $\tilde{g}(T) = \int g \, dE_T$ .*

**Lemma 15.** *Let  $T$  be a selfadjoint operator on  $H$ . Let  $E$  be the spectral measure of the operator  $C_T$ . Then*

$$T = \int i \frac{1+z}{1-z} \, dE(z).$$

**Lemma 16** (on the image of a spectral measure). *Let  $F$  be an abstract spectral measure in  $H$  defined on a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  and let  $\varphi : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be an  $\mathcal{A}$ -measurable mapping. Define*

$$\mathcal{A}' = \{A \subset \mathbb{C} : \varphi^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{A}\}$$

and for  $A \in \mathcal{A}'$  set

$$E(A) = F(\varphi^{-1}(A)).$$

Then  $E$  is an abstract spectral measure in  $H$  and for each  $\mathcal{A}'$ -measurable function  $f$  one has

$$\int f \, dE = \int f \circ \varphi \, dF.$$

**Theorem 17** (spectral decomposition of a selfadjoint operator). *If  $T$  is a selfadjoint operator on a Hilbert space  $H$ , then there exists a unique abstract spectral measure  $E$  in  $H$  such that  $T = \int \text{id} \, dE$ .*

*This measure  $E$  is the image of the spectral measure of the operator  $C_T$  under the Borel mapping  $z \mapsto i \frac{1+z}{1-z}$ .*

**Corollary 18.** *Let  $T$  be a selfadjoint operator on  $H$ . Then  $T$  is bounded if and only if  $\sigma(T)$  is a bounded set.*