

# Commuting Domination in Pontryagin Spaces

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We will discuss the following theorem, proved originally in [2] for formally normal and normal operators in Hilbert spaces.

**Theorem 1** *Let  $A_0, \dots, A_n$  ( $n \geq 1$ ) be symmetric operators in a Pontryagin space  $\mathcal{K}$  and let  $\mathcal{E}_{ij}$ ,  $0 \leq i < j \leq n$ , be dense linear spaces of  $\mathcal{K}$  such that*

- (i)  $A_j$  weakly commutes with  $A_0$  on  $\mathcal{E}_{0j}$  for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ;*
- (ii)  $A_i$  pointwise commutes with  $A_j$  on  $\mathcal{E}_{ij}$  for  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ ;*
- (iii)  $A_0$  is essentially selfadjoint on  $\mathcal{E}_{0j}$  for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ;*
- (iv)  $A_0$  dominates  $A_j$  on  $\mathcal{E}_{0j}$  for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .*

*Then  $\bar{A}_0, \dots, \bar{A}_n$  are spectrally commuting selfadjoint operators.*

The proof requires some results on bounded vectors of a selfadjoint operator in a Pontryagin space. As a corollary we obtain a polynomial version of Nelson's criteria for selfadjointness. We will use the theory of operator matrices with all unbounded entries, which was developed in [1].

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