## Step-1

Consider the following:

$$Ax = \lambda_1 x$$
$$A^T y = \lambda_2 y$$

To prove that  $x^T y = 0$  or Eigen vectors are perpendicular.

Here, all Eigen values, eigenvectors and matrix A are all real.

## Step-2

Recall that matrix A has real Eigen values and real orthogonal Eigenvectors if and only if  $A = A^{T}$ .

Now do the following calculations:

$$Ax = \lambda_1 x$$

Dot product with vector *y* will give:

$$(\lambda_1 x)^T y = (Ax)^T y$$

$$= x^T A^T y$$

$$x^T \lambda_1 y = x^T \lambda_2 y$$

$$x^T y (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) = 0$$

Since, 
$$\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \neq 0$$
, So,  $x^T y = 0$ .

## Step-3

Therefore, Eigen vectors corresponding to different Eigen values are perpendicular  $x^T y = 0$ .