

## Step-1

Suppose  $K^H = -K$  is a skew-Hermitian matrix, and  $K$  has imaginary eigenvalues and its eigenvectors are orthogonal.

Consider a matrix  $iK$ , so

$$\begin{aligned}(iK)^H &= (i)^H (K)^H \\ &= (-i)(-K) \\ &= iK\end{aligned}$$

Since  $(iK)^H = iK$ , so  $iK$  is a Hermitian matrix.

## Step-2

(a) To show  $K - I$  is invertible; we have to first find the eigenvalues of  $K - I$ .

For that just subtract 1 from the eigenvalues of  $K$ .

Suppose  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $K$  and  $x$  is the corresponding eigenvector.

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}Kx &= \lambda x \\ (K - I)x &= (\lambda - 1)x\end{aligned}$$

We know that in the matrix  $K$ , eigenvalues are imaginary and the eigenvectors are orthogonal.

The absolute values of eigenvalues of  $K - I$  are greater than 1, so  $|\lambda - 1| \neq 0$ .

Therefore,  $K - I$  is invertible.

## Step-3

(b) We know that  $iK$  is a Hermitian matrix, then there exist a unitary matrix  $U$  and a

diagonal matrix  $\Lambda$ , such that

$$iK = U \Lambda U^H$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned}K &= U(-i) \Lambda U^H \\ K &= U \Lambda U^H\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\boxed{K = U\Lambda U^H}$ , for a unitary  $U$ .

## Step-4

(c) Suppose  $\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n$  are imaginary eigenvalues of  $K$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\Lambda t} &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda^j t^j}{j!} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_1^j t^j}{j!} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_n^j t^j}{j!} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lambda_n$  Eigen values are imaginary, then  $e^{\lambda_n}$  show a complex number and its magnitude will be 1, so we have

$$e^{\Lambda t} \cdot e^{\Lambda t} = I$$

Therefore,  $\boxed{e^{\Lambda t} \text{ is unitary}}$ .

## Step-5

(d) Suppose  $\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n$  are imaginary eigenvalues of  $K$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} e^{Kt} &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{K^j t^j}{j!} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{(U\Lambda U^H)^j t^j}{j!} \\ &= U \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\Lambda)^j t^j}{j!} \right) U^H \\ &= U \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_1^j t^j}{j!} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_n^j t^j}{j!} \end{pmatrix} U^H \end{aligned}$$

$$e^{Kt} = U \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{pmatrix} U^H$$

Since  $\lambda_n$  eigenvalues are imaginary, then  $e^{\lambda_n t}$  show a complex number and its magnitude will be 1, so we have

$$e^{Kt} \cdot e^{Kt} = I$$

Therefore,  $e^{Kt}$  is unitary.