

6.1 + 6.3 Diagonalizable Matrix $A_{n \times n} = PDP^{-1}$

Defective matrix $B_{n \times n} = PJP^{-1}$

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6.4 Orthogonally Diagonalizable Matrix

Hermitian Matrix ("Symmetric")
Unitary Matrix ("Orthogonal")

Complex: $\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$

Real: $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

$M \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

Δ Hermitian Matrix

Δ Symmetric Matrix

Δ Unitary Matrix

Δ Orthogonal Matrix

The concept of orthogonality \longleftrightarrow Complex Inner Products

Basic notations and concepts:

If $\alpha = a + ib \in \mathbb{C}$, then the length of α is
 $|\alpha| = \sqrt{\alpha \bar{\alpha}} = \sqrt{(a-ib)(a+ib)} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

If $\vec{z} = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n)^T \in \mathbb{C}^n$, then the length of \vec{z} is
 $\|\vec{z}\| = (\|z\|^2 + \|z_2\|^2 + \dots + \|z_n\|^2)^{1/2} = (\bar{z}_1 z_1 + \dots + \bar{z}_n z_n)^{1/2}$
 $= (\bar{\vec{z}}^T \vec{z})^{1/2} = (\vec{z}^H \vec{z})^{1/2} = \sqrt{\vec{z}^H \vec{z}}$

Notation: $\vec{z}^H = (\bar{z}_1, \bar{z}_2, \dots, \bar{z}_n) = (\bar{\vec{z}})^T$
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E.g.

$\alpha = 2 + 3i$, $|\alpha| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{13}$

$\vec{z} = (5+i, 1-3i)^T \in \mathbb{C}^2$

$\bar{\vec{z}} = (5-i, 1+3i)^T$, a column vector

$\vec{z}^H = \bar{\vec{z}}^T = (5-i, 1+3i)$, a row vector

$\|\vec{z}\|^2 = \vec{z}^H \vec{z} = (5-i, 1+3i) \begin{pmatrix} 5+i \\ 1-3i \end{pmatrix}$

$= (5-i)(5+i) + (1+3i)(1-3i)$
 $= (25+1) + (1+9) = 36$

$\vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$

$\|\vec{z}\|^2 = \vec{z}^H \vec{z} = (5-i)(5+i) + (1+3i)(1-3i) = 26 + 10 = 36$

$\vec{z} = \vec{a} + i \vec{b}$

$\vec{z}^H = \vec{a}^T - i \vec{b}^T$

$\|\vec{z}\|^2 = \vec{z}^H \vec{z} = \sqrt{(\vec{a}^T - i \vec{b}^T)(\vec{a} + i \vec{b})} = \sqrt{\vec{a}^T \vec{a} - i \vec{a}^T \vec{b} + i \vec{b}^T \vec{a} + \vec{b}^T \vec{b}}$
 $= \sqrt{\vec{a}^T \vec{a} + \vec{b}^T \vec{b}} = \sqrt{\vec{a}^T \vec{a} + \vec{b}^T \vec{b}}$

Δ Complex Inner Products

Let V be a vector space over the complex numbers. An inner product on V is an operation that assigns to each pair of vectors z and w in V a complex number $\langle z, w \rangle$ satisfying the following conditions.

- $\langle z, z \rangle \geq 0$, with equality if and only if $z = 0$.
- $\langle z, w \rangle = \overline{\langle w, z \rangle}$ for all z and w in V . Order matters!
- $\langle \alpha z + \beta w, u \rangle = \alpha \langle z, u \rangle + \beta \langle w, u \rangle$.

E.g. Define a function: $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$\langle \vec{z}, \vec{w} \rangle := \vec{w}^H \vec{z}$

① Show that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is a complex inner product. — single arrow

② Compute $\langle \vec{z}, \vec{w} \rangle$ and $\langle \vec{w}, \vec{z} \rangle$ for

$\vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 5-i \\ 1+i \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+2i \\ i \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1-2i \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$

$\langle \vec{z}, \vec{w} \rangle = \vec{w}^H \vec{z} = (1-2i, -i) \begin{pmatrix} 5-i \\ 1+i \end{pmatrix} = (1-2i)(5-i) - i(1+i) = 5-2-10i-1-i = -5-11i$

$\langle \vec{w}, \vec{z} \rangle = \vec{z}^H \vec{w} = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 5-i \\ 1+i \end{pmatrix}^T \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1+2i \\ i \end{pmatrix} = (5-i)(1+2i) + (1+i)i = 5+10i-1-2i + i-1 = 4+9i$
So that $\langle \vec{z}, \vec{w} \rangle = \overline{\langle \vec{w}, \vec{z} \rangle}$

E.g. $M = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2-i \\ 2+i & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$M^H = (\bar{M})^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2+i \\ 2-i & 4 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2-i \\ 2+i & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Since $M = M^H$, M is a Hermitian matrix.

Questions: Is a real-valued symmetric matrix Hermitian?

Yes!

Δ Hermitian Matrix

Let $M = (m_{ij})$ be an $n \times n$ with $m_{ij} = a_{ij} + ib_{ij}$ for $j=1, \dots, n$
Then we denote M as

$M = A + iB$

where A and B are $n \times n$ real-valued matrices.

We define the conjugate of M as \bar{M}

$\bar{M} = A - iB$

by taking the conjugate of each entries in M .

Then

$M^H = (\bar{M})^T = (A - iB)^T = A^T - iB^T$

Properties: If A and B are elements of $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ and $C \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$, then

I. $(A^H)^H = \overline{(\overline{A^T})^T} = (A^T + iA_{im}^T)^T = A_{re} + iA_{im} = A$

II. $(\alpha A + \beta B)^H = \bar{\alpha} A^H + \bar{\beta} B^H$, $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$

III. $(AC)^H = C^H A^H$

Def. (Hermitian Matrix)

$A = A^H$

Remark: A real Hermitian matrix is a symmetric matrix.

Thm (i) The eigenvalues of a Hermitian matrix are all real.

E.g. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1-i \\ 1+i & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1-i \\ 1+i & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - (1+i)(1-i)$
 $= (\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2) - (1^2 - i^2) = \lambda(\lambda-3)$

$\lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = 3$

$\det(\lambda I - A) = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda-2 & -(1-i) \\ -(1+i) & \lambda-1 \end{vmatrix} = \lambda(\lambda-3) = 0$

For $\lambda_1 = 0$,

$(A - \lambda_1 I) \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1-i \\ 1+i & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Remark: A real Hermitian matrix is a symmetric matrix.

Thm (i) The eigenvalues of a Hermitian matrix are **all real**.

proof: $\vec{x}^H A \vec{x} = \vec{x}^H \lambda \vec{x} = \lambda \|\vec{x}\|^2 \rightarrow \lambda = \frac{\vec{x}^H A \vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|^2}$ — real?

Consider $\overline{\vec{x}^H A \vec{x}} = \overline{\vec{x}^H} A^H (\overline{\vec{x}})^H = \vec{x}^H A^H \vec{x} = \vec{x}^H A \vec{x}$

Hence, $\vec{x}^H A \vec{x}$ is also a real number and $\lambda = \frac{\vec{x}^H A \vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|^2}$ is real.

Method 2: $\vec{x}^H A \vec{x} = \vec{x}^H A^H \vec{x} = (A \vec{x})^H \vec{x} = (\lambda \vec{x})^H \vec{x} = \bar{\lambda} \vec{x}^H \vec{x}$

$$\rightarrow \lambda \|\vec{x}\|^2 = \bar{\lambda} \|\vec{x}\|^2, \quad \|\vec{x}\|^2 > 0, \quad \|\vec{x}\|^2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \lambda = \bar{\lambda}$$

All eigenvalues of a Hermitian matrix are real.

(ii) Furthermore, eigenvectors belonging to distinct eigenvalues are **orthogonal**.

proof: Consider $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ with eigenvectors \vec{x}_1 and \vec{x}_2 of A , respectively.

$$\vec{x}_1^H A \vec{x}_2 = \vec{x}_1^H \lambda_2 \vec{x}_2 = \lambda_2 \vec{x}_1^H \vec{x}_2 = \lambda_2 \langle \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \rangle$$

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$$\vec{x}_2^H A^H \vec{x}_1 = (A \vec{x}_2)^H \vec{x}_1 = (\lambda_2 \vec{x}_2)^H \vec{x}_1 = \bar{\lambda}_2 \vec{x}_2^H \vec{x}_1$$

Since eigenvalues of A are all real, so $\bar{\lambda}_2 = \lambda_2$ and

$$(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) \vec{x}_1^H \vec{x}_1 = 0 \rightarrow \langle \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 \rangle = 0$$

$$\vec{x}_1 \perp \vec{x}_2$$

For $\lambda_1 = 0$,

$$(A - \lambda_1 I) \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1-i \\ 1+i & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} 2a + (1-i)b = 0 \\ (1+i)a + b = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1-i \end{pmatrix} \alpha, \quad \alpha \neq 0.$$

For $\lambda_2 = 3$

$$(A - \lambda_2 I) \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1-i \\ 1+i & -2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \beta, \quad \beta \neq 0.$$

$$\text{Notice that } \langle \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \rangle = \vec{v}_2^H \vec{v}_1 = (1+i \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1-i \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Unitary Matrix \iff orthogonal matrix

Def (Unitary) An $n \times n$ matrix is **unitary** if its columns form an **orthonormal basis** of \mathbb{C}^n .

Thm U is unitary $\iff U^H U = I$.

Remark: A real unitary matrix is an orthogonal matrix.

Corollary If the eigenvalues of a Hermitian matrix A are distinct, then there exists a unitary matrix U that diagonalizes A .

$$\text{i.e. } A = U D U^H = U D U^H$$

proof: (in the textbook).

$$\text{E.g. } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thm (Spectral Thm)

If A is Hermitian, then there exists a unitary matrix U that diagonalizes A , that is,

$$A = U D U^H.$$

proof will next lecture.