

## 1 Basic Definition of Complexification

**DEFINITION 1.1:** Let  $V$  be a real vector space. We define  $V_{\mathbb{C}}$  as follows:

1. **Set:** The underlying set is  $V \times V$ . (any vector in it can be written as  $(v_1, v_2)$  for any  $v_1, v_2 \in V$ )
2. **Addition:**  $(v_1, v_2) + (v'_1, v'_2) := (v_1 + v'_1, v_2 + v'_2)$
3. **Scalar:**  $(a + bi)(u_1, u_2) := (au_1 - bu_2, bu_1 + au_2)$

**Claim** *This makes  $V_{\mathbb{C}}$  into a complex vector space. (i.e., This definition of  $V_{\mathbb{C}}$  satisfy the axiom of complex vector space)*

*Proof.* The “HARD” part is : Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{C}, (v_1, v_2) \in V_{\mathbb{C}}$   
Then,  $\lambda_1(\lambda_2(v_1, v_2)) = (\lambda_1\lambda_2)(v_1, v_2)$

□

Now we have a natural injection  $V \hookrightarrow V_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $v \mapsto (V, 0)$

In this way, we can think of  $V$  as a subset of  $V_{\mathbb{C}}$

*Remark.*  $(0, v) = i(v, 0) = iv$

i.e.,  $(v_1, v_2) = (v_1, 0) + (0, v_2) = v_1 + iv_2$

Tensor Product  $V_{\mathbb{C}} = V \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$

**LEMMA 1.2:** if  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  is a basis for  $V$ , then it is also a basis for  $V_{\mathbb{C}}$

*Proof.* Suppose we have  $v_1 + iv_2 \in V_{\mathbb{C}}$ , write  $v_j = \sum a_j e_j, v_2 = \sum b_j e_j$   
where  $a_j, b_j \in \mathbb{R}$

Then we have  $v_1 + iv_2 = \sum (a_j + ib_j) e_j$ .

Since  $(a_j + ib_j) \in \mathbb{C}, \text{span}(e_1, \dots, e_n) = V_{\mathbb{C}}$

Suppose  $0 = \sum \lambda_j e_j = \sum a_j e_j + ib_j e_j$

Since  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{R}$ , it follows that  $a_j = b_j = 0$

Therefore,  $\lambda_j = 0$ . i.e.,  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  linearly independent over  $V_{\mathbb{C}}$

□

## 2 Linear Maps Over $V_{\mathbb{C}}$

Suppose  $V, W$  are real vector space and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ ,

we define  $T_{\mathbb{C}} \in \mathcal{L}(V_{\mathbb{C}}, W_{\mathbb{C}})$  as follows:

$$T_{\mathbb{C}}(v_1 + iv_2) = Tv_1 + iTv_2$$

**Claim** *Under the same basis in real vector space, the matrix of  $T$  and  $T_{\mathbb{C}}$  are same.  
(Notice: we can not choose a basis in complex vector space for  $T$ )*

**Theorem 2.1** *Let  $V$  be f.d.v.s. over  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ . Then there exists an invariant subspace  $U$  that has dimension 1 or 2.*

*i.e.,*

$$\exists U \subseteq V. (T(U) \subset U \wedge \dim U = 1 \text{ or } 2)$$

*Proof.*  $T_{\mathbb{C}}$  has an eigenvector  $u + iv$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda = a + bi \in \mathbb{C}$   
 $T_{\mathbb{C}}(u + iv) = Tu + iTv = (a + bi)(u + iv)$  implies  $Tu = au - bv$  and  $Tv = av + bu$   
 Therefore,  $U = \text{span}(u, v)$  □

**Claim** *There is a natural isomorphism between  $V_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $\overline{V_{\mathbb{C}}}$ . This is used below.*

$$\overline{(a + ib)(v_1 + iv_2)} = (a - ib)(v_1 - iv_2)$$

*Consider it as rotation, this isomorphism will become intuitively.*

**Theorem 2.2** *Let  $V$  be 2-D i.p.v.s over  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  is normal.  
 Then in any orthonormal basis  $\vec{e}$ .*

1. *if  $T$  self-adjoint ( $T = T^*$ ), then  $M(T, \vec{e}) = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$*
2. *if  $T$  is not self-adjoint ( $T \neq T^*$ ), then  $M(T, \vec{e}) = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix}$*

*Proof.* (1) is easy.

WTS (2), Assume  $T \neq T^*$

Using complex spectral theorem, there exists an ONB such that  $\vec{f} = (f_1, f_2)$  of eigenvectors for  $T_{\mathbb{C}}$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ .

Since  $T_{\mathbb{C}}$  is not self-adjoint,  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are not both in  $\mathbb{R}$

WLOG (without loss of generality)  $\lambda_1 \notin \mathbb{R}$ ,

we claim  $\lambda_2 = \overline{\lambda_1}$  by change eigenvectors of  $\lambda_1$  into conjugate vector space

Then we conclude that

$$M(T_{\mathbb{C}}, \vec{f}) = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \overline{\lambda_1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M(T_{\mathbb{C}} + T_{\mathbb{C}}^*, \vec{f}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \operatorname{Re} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \operatorname{Re} \{\lambda_1\} \end{bmatrix}$$

We conclude:

Let  $\vec{e}$  be any ONB for  $V$  and

$$M(T, \vec{e}) = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Then, we see that

$$M(T + T^*, \vec{e}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2a & b + c \\ b + c & 2d \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,  $b = -c$  and  $a = d$ . □

**Corollary 2.3** *If further  $T$  is an isometry, then  $M(T, \vec{e}) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ .*

$$M(T, \vec{e}) = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & r_n & & \\ & & & \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_{n+1} & \sin \theta_{n+1} \\ -\sin \theta_{n+1} & \cos \theta_{n+1} \end{bmatrix} & \\ & O & & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_m & \sin \theta_m \\ -\sin \theta_m & \cos \theta_m \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

- STEP 1: By the theorem, there exists a subspace  $W \subseteq V$  such that  $\dim W = 1$  or  $2$ ,  $T(W) \subseteq W$ .
- STEP 2:  $T$  is normal, so  $W, W^\perp$  are invariant under  $T, T^*$
- STEP 3:  $(T|_W)^* = T^*|_W, (T|_{W^\perp})^* = T^*|_{W^\perp}$
- STEP 4: Theorem true for  $W^\perp$  by induction hypothesis there exists an ONB  $B_{W^\perp}$  satisfy the  $W^\perp$ .
- STEP 5: If  $\dim W = 1$  then true for  $(W, T|_W)$

If  $\dim W = 2$

1.  $T|_W$  is self-adjoint, then there exists ONB  $B_W$  for operator that let the matrix diagonal.

Since  $T|_W$  is isometry, it follows that all eigenvalue are  $\pm 1$ .

2.  $T|_W$  is not self-adjoint, then we have already shown in above.

- STEP 6: Set  $\vec{B} = \vec{B}_{W^\perp} \cup \vec{B}_W$

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*Remark.*

$$v_1, \dots, v_m \text{ lin.ind.} \iff \overline{v_1}, \dots, \overline{v_m} \text{ lin.ind.}$$

The conjugate of a basis for  $E(\lambda, T_C)$  is a basis for  $E(\overline{\lambda}, T_C)$

**LEMMA 2.10:**  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ ,  $a \neq b$ , **then**

$$\mathbf{null}((T - aI)(T - bI)) = \mathbf{null}(T - aI) \oplus \mathbf{null}(T - bI)$$

**LEMMA 2.11:**  $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ . **Suppose**  $ST = TS$ , **then**

$$\mathbf{null}(S), \mathbf{Range}(S) \text{ are preserved by } T$$

Other things see in complexification2

## 3 Restriction of Scalars

**DEFINITION 3.1:** Suppose that  $V$  is a complex vector space. We denote the **Restriction of Scalars**, written  $\text{Res}V$ , to be the real vector space.

such that is same with complex vector space excepts we only scalar with real numbers.