

Lecture 22: Special matrices

Reading: Meyer 7.5 Normal matrices
7.6 Positive semi-definite matrices

Last time:

THEOREM: A has a complete, orthogonal set of eigenvectors

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \downarrow \\ A^T A = A A^T. \quad ("A \text{ is normal}") \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow A = U D U^T$

↑
diagonal w/ e-values
↓
unitary w/
e-vector columns

Examples:

- Every diagonal matrix is normal ($U=I$ above)
- No upper- or lower-triangular matrix is normal,
unless it is diagonal!

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>> n = 4;  
>> A = randn(n,n);  
>> A = A + A'; % make the matrix symmetric (and hence normal)  
>> [U, D] = eigs(A)
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$U =$

\vec{v}_1	\vec{v}_2	\vec{v}_3	\vec{v}_4
0.6207	-0.5958	0.1753	-0.4785
0.6988	0.1282	-0.1866	0.6786
-0.1355	-0.3777	-0.9151	-0.0408
-0.3287	-0.6971	0.3116	0.5558

the e-vectors are
orthonormal:

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>> U' * U
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ans =

$D =$

λ_1	λ_2	0	0
-7.2760	3.7712	λ_3	0
0	0	0	λ_4
0	0	1.8551	0
0	0	0	-0.3472

1.0000	0	0.0000	0.0000
0	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000
0.0000	0.0000	1.0000	-0.0000
0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	1.0000

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>> A * U - U * D
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ans =

$1.0e-14 *$

0.3553	-0.1776	0.0056	-0.1832
-0.0888	-0.0722	0.1554	-0.3608
-0.1221	-0.0444	0.1110	0.0073
0.0444	0	-0.0888	-0.0416

Proposition: A normal $\Rightarrow \|A\| = \max_{\text{eigenvalues } \lambda} |\lambda|$.

Proof:

Recall $\|A\| = \max_{x: \|x\|=1} \|Ax\|$. Since unitaries don't change lengths,

$$\begin{aligned}\|A\| &= \|UDU^{-1}\| \\ &= \|D\| \\ &= \max_i |D_{i,i}| \quad \square\end{aligned}$$

This proposition is false for non-normal matrices,
e.g., both eigenvalues of $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ are 0,
but $\left\| \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = 1 \neq 0$.

Today: More examples and applications.

APPLICATIONS of unitary diagonalizability of normal matrices

I. Eigenvalues of orthogonal and unitary matrices

Recall:

Definition:

$n \times n$ real matrix
w/ orthonormal columns = orthogonal $A^T = A^{-1}$

$n \times n$ complex matrix
w/ orthonormal columns = unitary $A^+ = A^{-1}$

$\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_n\}$
an orthonormal basis
for \mathbb{R}^n
or \mathbb{C}^n

$\iff A = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & | \\ u_1 & u_2 & \cdots & u_n \\ | & | & | \end{pmatrix}$
is orthogonal
or unitary

Example: 2D rotation $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$

$(e^{i\theta} 0)$ is orthogonal and unitary
 $(0 e^{-i\theta})$ is unitary.

Every orthogonal matrix is unitary.

Theorem: Any orthogonal or unitary matrix is diagonalizable.

Examples: $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \end{pmatrix}$

$\omega = e^{2\pi i/3}$

Proof: U unitary $\Rightarrow U^+ = U^{-1}$
 $\Rightarrow UU^+ = I = U^+U$
 $\Rightarrow U$ is normal \checkmark \square

Claim: All eigenvalues of an orthogonal or unitary matrix have magnitude 1.

Proof:

Say $U^+ = U^{-1}$, and $\vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$ is an e-vector, $U\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{v}\|^2 &= v^+ v = v^+ \underbrace{U^+ U}_{I} v \\ &= \|Uv\|^2 \\ &= |\lambda|^2 \times \|v\|^2 \quad \Rightarrow |\lambda| = 1 \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Examples:

i) Fourier transform mod 3:

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>> omega = exp(2*pi*i/3);
C = (1/sqrt(3)) * [1 1 1; 1 omega omega^2; 1 omega^2 omega]
eig(C)

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C =

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0.5774 + 0.0000i  0.5774 + 0.0000i  0.5774 + 0.0000i
0.5774 + 0.0000i -0.2887 + 0.5000i -0.2887 - 0.5000i
0.5774 + 0.0000i -0.2887 - 0.5000i -0.2887 + 0.5000i

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ans =

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1.0000 + 0.0000i
-1.0000 + 0.0000i
0.0000 + 1.0000i

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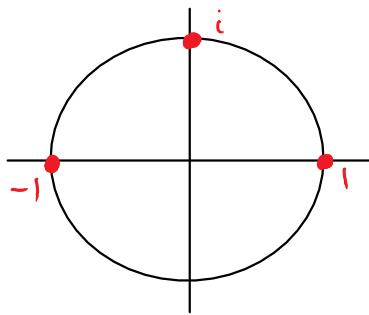
>> abs(eig(C))

ans =

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1.0000
1.0000
1.0000

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Fourier transform mod n:

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>> n = 100;
>> C = dftmtx(n) / sqrt(n);
>> sum(sum(abs(C^4 - eye(n))))

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ans =

2.2902e-13

$$C^4 = I$$

\Rightarrow all eigenvalues must be in $\{\pm 1, \pm i\}$.

2) >> B = (1/sqrt(2)) * [1 0 1; 0 sqrt(2) 0; -1 0 1]
eig(B)
abs(eig(B))

B =

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0.7071      0      0.7071
      0  1.0000      0
-0.7071      0      0.7071

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rotation about the
y-axis in \mathbb{R}^3

ans =

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0.7071 + 0.7071i
0.7071 - 0.7071i
1.0000 + 0.0000i

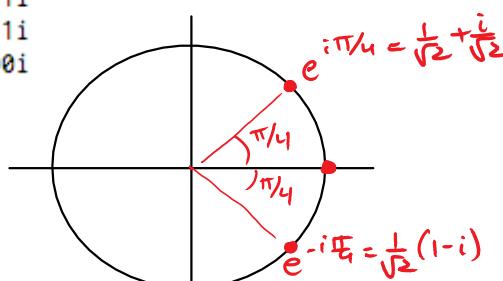
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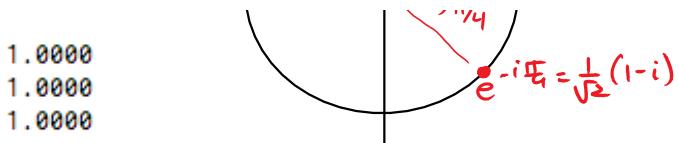
ans =

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1.0000
1.0000

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Observe: The eigenvalues are paired up:

$\lambda = e^{i\theta}$ an e-value \Rightarrow so is $\lambda^* = e^{-i\theta}$
 Why?

Theorem: If A is any real matrix, then

- λ an e-value of $A \Rightarrow$ so is λ^*
 w/ corr. e-vector v w/ corr. e-vector v^*

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} Av &= \lambda v \\ \Rightarrow A^* v^* &= \lambda^* v^* \quad (\text{taking complex conjugates of everything}) \\ \Rightarrow A v^* &= \lambda^* v^* \quad (\text{since } A \text{ is real}, A^* = A). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Exercise: What are the eigenvalues of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} ?$$

Answer: A is orthogonal, so its eigenvalues lie on the unit circle.

A is a permutation matrix:

$$Ae_1 = e_3$$

$$Ae_2 = e_1$$

$$Ae_3 = e_2$$

$$\Rightarrow A^3 = I$$



\Rightarrow each eigenvalue λ must satisfy $\lambda^3 = 1$

\Rightarrow each $\lambda \in \{1, e^{2\pi i/3}, e^{-2\pi i/3}\}$

Since $A \neq I$, and A is diagonalizable, the e-values aren't all 1.

\Rightarrow Either $e^{2\pi i/3}$ or $e^{-2\pi i/3}$ must be an e-value

\Rightarrow Both $e^{2\pi i/3}$ and $e^{-2\pi i/3}$ are e-values

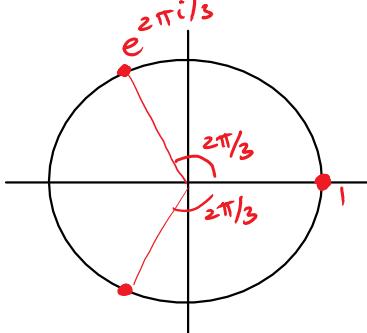
(since A is real, complex e-values are paired up)

Only one dimension remains, so there isn't room for another complex e-value \Rightarrow it must be real

Answer: $1, e^{2\pi i/3}, e^{-2\pi i/3}$ \Rightarrow It is 1

Check: Trace $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0 + 0 + 0 = 0$

$$\text{and } 1 + e^{2\pi i/3} + e^{-2\pi i/3} = 0$$



Check in Matlab:

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>> A = [0 1 0; 0 0 1; 1 0 0]
eig(A)
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A =

$$\begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{matrix}$$

ans =

$$\begin{aligned} -0.5000 + 0.8660i \\ -0.5000 - 0.8660i \\ 1.0000 + 0.0000i \end{aligned}$$

>> abs(eig(A))

ans =

$$\begin{matrix} 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \end{matrix}$$

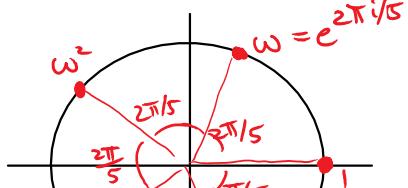
Exercise: Similarly, what are the eigenvalues of

$$A_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad ?$$

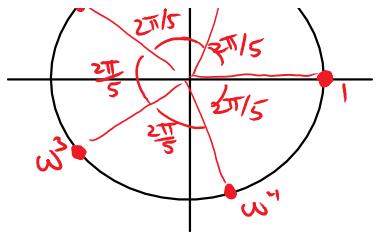
Answer: $A^5 = I$, so e-values must lie in:

$$\{1, \omega, \omega^2, \omega^3, \omega^4\}$$

where $\omega = e^{2\pi i/5}$.



Since the dimension is odd
" " " " "



Since the dimension is odd
and the complex e-values come
in pairs, 1 is an e-value.

$$\text{Tr}(A) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\{1, \omega, \omega^4, \omega^3, \omega^2\}}$$

Problem: If all the eigenvalues of A have the same magnitude,
then how can we use the power method to find them?

$$\vec{x} = (v_1 \cdot x) \vec{v}_1 + (v_2 \cdot x) \vec{v}_2 + \cdots + (v_n \cdot x) \vec{v}_n$$

$$\Rightarrow A \vec{x} = e^{i\theta_1} (v_1 \cdot x) \vec{v}_1 + e^{i\theta_2} (v_2 \cdot x) \vec{v}_2 + \cdots + e^{i\theta_n} (v_n \cdot x) \vec{v}_n$$

$$\Rightarrow A^k \vec{x} = e^{ik\theta_1} (v_1 \cdot x) \vec{v}_1 + e^{ik\theta_2} (v_2 \cdot x) \vec{v}_2 + \cdots + e^{ik\theta_n} (v_n \cdot x) \vec{v}_n$$

The magnitudes of the coefficients don't change

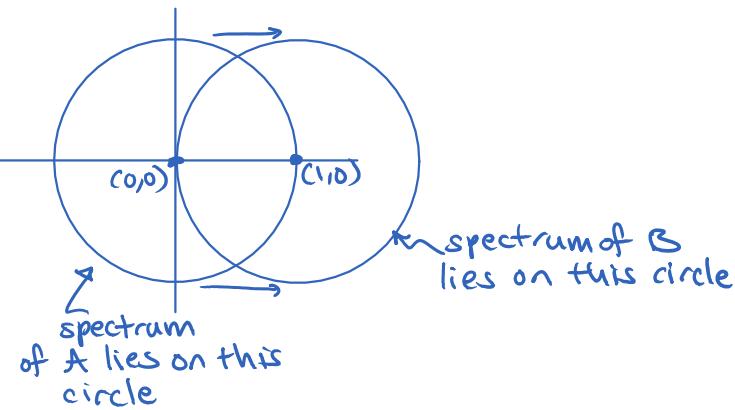
$$|e^{ik\theta_j} (v_j \cdot x)| = |v_j \cdot x|$$

so no term dominates!

Possible answer :

Shift the matrix !

Eg., work with $B = A + I$ instead of with A ;
 B 's eigenvalues are $e^{i\theta_j} + 1$, no longer all lying
on the unit circle.



II. Eigenvalues of real-orthogonal and Hermitian matrices

Definition: Matrix A is

symmetric
Hermitian

if $A^T = A$
if $\Delta^+ = \Delta$

↳ useful for real matrices
↳ useful for complex matrices

symmetric	if	$A^T = A$	← useful for <u>real</u> matrices
Hermitian	if	$A^+ = A$	← useful for <u>complex</u> matrices

↑ adjoint = conjugate-transpose

(For real matrices, symmetric=Hermitian.)

Examples:

	Symmetric?	Hermitian?
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$	✓	✓
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	✓	✗
$\begin{pmatrix} e^{i\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	✓	only if $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a+bi \\ a-bi & 2 \end{pmatrix}$	✗	✓

Example: $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

basis for 2×2 symmetric matrices

$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

basis over \mathbb{R} for 2×2 Hermitian matrices

Note: $\{n \times n \text{ Hermitian matrices}\}$ is only a vector space over \mathbb{R} .
It is not closed under multiplication by complex numbers.

Eg.: $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is Hermitian,

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} = i \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is not.

Theorem: Any real symmetric matrix is diagonalizable.

Proof: Let A be a real symmetric matrix: $A^T = A$.

Since A is real, $A^+ = A^T$.

$$\Rightarrow A^T A = A^+ A = A A^T$$

$\Rightarrow A$ is normal \Rightarrow diagonalizable

□

Theorem: Any complex Hermitian matrix is diagonalizable.
 $(A^+ = A)$

Same proof.

Claim: Any real symmetric or complex Hermitian matrix has all real eigenvalues.

Proof: Let \vec{v} be an eigenvector of A , with e.v. λ .

$$\begin{aligned} & v^T A v \\ &= (\vec{v}^T \vec{A}) \vec{v} = v^T (A \vec{v}) \\ &= (\vec{A}^T \vec{v})^T \vec{v} = \lambda \cdot \vec{v}^T \vec{v} = \lambda \|\vec{v}\|^2 \\ &= (\lambda \vec{v})^T \vec{v} = \lambda^* \|\vec{v}\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

ie., λ is real. \square

Furthermore, a real symmetric matrix has an orthonormal basis of **real** eigenvectors.

Proof: All the eigenvalues are real.

For each eigenvalue λ , we can compute an orthonormal basis for the eigenspace

$$N(A - \lambda I)$$

using Gaussian elimination and the Gram-Schmidt procedure, using only real numbers. ✓

Examples:

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• >> n = 10;  
A = -2 * diag(ones(n,1)) + diag(ones(n-1,1),1) + diag(ones(n-1,1),-1)
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A =

$$\begin{matrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{matrix}$$

>> eig(A)

symmetric $A = A^T$

ans =

-3.9190
-3.6825

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 -3.6825
 -3.3097
 -2.8388
 -2.2846
 -1.7154
 -1.1692
 -0.6903
 -0.3175
 -0.0810

$\left. \right\} \text{all real}$

- How to create a random symmetric matrix?

Of course it depends on what distribution you want.

If you don't care, then $A + A^T$ is symmetric for any real matrix A . (Since $(A + A^T)^T = A^T + A = A + A^T$. ✓)

If you want every entry to follow the same distn, eg., uniform on $[0,1]$, use something like

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>> n = 6;
A = rand(n,n)
A = diag(diag(A)) + triu(A,1) + triu(A,1)'
eig(A) ranks out diagonal terms above diagonal
A =

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0.4211	0.5710	0.3736	0.3474	0.8006	0.5301
0.1841	0.1769	0.0875	0.6606	0.7458	0.2751
0.7258	0.9574	0.6401	0.3839	0.8131	0.2486
0.3704	0.2653	0.1806	0.6273	0.3833	0.4516
0.8416	0.9246	0.0451	0.0216	0.6173	0.2277
0.7342	0.2238	0.7232	0.9106	0.5755	0.8044

A =

0.4211	0.5710	0.3736	0.3474	0.8006	0.5301
0.5710	0.1769	0.0875	0.6606	0.7458	0.2751
0.3736	0.0875	0.6401	0.3839	0.8131	0.2486
0.3474	0.6606	0.3839	0.6273	0.3833	0.4516
0.8006	0.7458	0.8131	0.3833	0.6173	0.2277
0.5301	0.2751	0.2486	0.4516	0.2277	0.8044

ans =

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-0.6673
-0.3633
0.2743
0.4173
0.7283
2.8979

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- What about an anti-symmetric matrix ($A^T = -A$)?
 $A - A^T$ is always antisymmetric

(since $(A - A^T)^T = A^T - A = -(A - A^T)$. ✓)

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>> n = 6;  
A = rand(n,n);  
A = triu(A,1) - triu(A,1)'  
eig(A)
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A =

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0    0.0669    0.8854    0.0418    0.9843    0.6624  
-0.0669    0    0.8990    0.1069    0.9456    0.2442  
-0.8854   -0.8990    0    0.6164    0.6766    0.2955  
-0.0418   -0.1069   -0.6164    0    0.9883    0.6802  
-0.9843   -0.9456   -0.6766   -0.9883    0    0.5278  
-0.6624   -0.2442   -0.2955   -0.6802   -0.5278    0
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ans =

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0.0000 + 2.3224i  
0.0000 - 2.3224i  
0.0000 + 1.0839i  
0.0000 - 1.0839i  
-0.0000 + 0.2142i  
-0.0000 - 0.2142i
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Question: Why are the eigenvalues purely imaginary?

Answer:

If A is a real matrix with $A^T = -A$,
 $\Rightarrow (iA)^+ = -iA^T$
 $= iA$
 $\Rightarrow iA$ is Hermitian
 \Rightarrow Eigenvalues of iA are real
 \Rightarrow Eigenvalues of A are purely imaginary. ✓

III. POSITIVE SEMI-DEFINITE MATRICES

Definition: A Hermitian (or real-symmetric) matrix A with all eigenvalues ≥ 0 is called
positive semi-definite
denoted $A \succeq 0$.

Key property:

Theorem: A Hermitian matrix A
is positive semidefinite

$$\Leftrightarrow x^T A x \geq 0 \text{ for all vectors } x.$$

Proof:

\Rightarrow : If $A \succeq 0$,

let v_1, \dots, v_n be an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors, with corresponding e-values $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \geq 0$.

Any vector x can be expanded as

$$\vec{x} = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \vec{v}_j$$

where $\alpha_j = v_j \cdot x$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x^T A x &= \sum_{i,j} \alpha_i^* v_i^T \underbrace{A \vec{v}_j}_{\lambda_j v_i^T v_j} \alpha_j \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n |\alpha_j|^2 \cdot \lambda_j \\ &\geq 0 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

\Leftarrow : If $A \not\succeq 0$, i.e., some eigenvalue $\lambda < 0$, let \vec{x} be a corresponding e-vector.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x^T A x &= \lambda x^T x \\ &= \lambda \|x\|^2 \\ &< 0 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

□

Example 1: For any real matrix A , $A^T A \succeq 0$.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} x^T A^T A x &= (Ax)^T (Ax) \\ &= \|Ax\|^2 \\ &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow by the theorem, $A^T A \succeq 0$. \checkmark □

Singular-value decomposition vs. Spectral decomposition

$$A = U S V^T$$

↑ Unitary ↓ Diagonal

$$A = T D T^{-1}$$

↑ Diagonal

What is it?

$$A = U \Sigma V^*$$

↑
unitary
diagonal

$$= \sum_i \sigma_i \vec{u}_i \vec{v}_i^*$$

↑ sing. values ≥ 0 ↑ left right
singular vectors
 $\{\vec{u}_i\}, \{\vec{v}_i\}$ orthonormal

When?

all matrices!

$$A = I \cup I$$

↑ diagonal

if A is normal:

$$A = T D T^*$$

↑ same unitary!

$$= \sum_i \lambda_i \vec{t}_i \vec{t}_i^*$$

↑ e-values ↑ e-vectors (orthonormal)

square, diagonalizable matrices

R or C?

real if A is real

complex even if A is real
e.g. $(\cos \theta \ -\sin \theta \ \sin \theta \ \cos \theta) \rightarrow e^{\pm i\theta}$

real if A is real & symmetric

Other properties

$$\|A\| = \max \text{ sing. value}(A)$$

$\|A\| \neq \max \text{ eigenvalue}$ in general
e.g., $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ has evals 0, 0

$A \rightarrow A + I$ does not shift sing. values
in general, e.g. $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
 vs 1, 1 vs 2, 0
 vs 1, -1 vs 2, 0

$A \rightarrow A + \alpha I$ shifts e-values by α

Example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} c & s \\ s & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -s & c \\ c & s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda_1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ 1 & i \end{pmatrix} + \frac{\lambda_2}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ 1 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

They can't be entirely different. What's the connection?

Recall: For any $m \times n$ matrix A ,

$$A^* A \succeq 0.$$

In particular, $A^* A$ is Hermitian (and thus normal), and its eigenvalues are all real and ≥ 0 .

Proposition: Let A be an $m \times n$ real or complex matrix.

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Then,

- The nonzero singular values of A are the square-roots of the eigenvalues of $A^T A$ (same as the square-roots of the e-values of AA^T).
- Eigenvectors of $A^T A$ are right singular vectors of A .
- Eigenvectors of AA^T are left singular vectors of A .

Corollary: AA^T and $A^T A$ have the same nonzero eigenvalues.

Corollary: How to compute the SVD of a matrix?

Answer: Prove this proposition!

Proof:

Let $A = \sum_i \sigma_i \vec{u}_i \vec{v}_i^T$ be the SVD of A .
(We don't know what it is, maybe, but it exists!)

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow AA^T &= \left(\sum_i \sigma_i \vec{v}_i \vec{u}_i^T \right) \left(\sum_j \sigma_j \vec{u}_j \vec{v}_j^T \right) \\ &= \sum_i \sigma_i^2 \vec{v}_i \vec{v}_i^T \quad \text{since } \vec{u}_i^T \vec{u}_j = \vec{u}_i \cdot \vec{u}_j \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow AA^T \vec{v}_j = \sigma_j^2 \vec{v}_j$$

i.e., the right singular vector \vec{v}_j is an e-vector of AA^T , with e-value σ_j^2 .

\Rightarrow By diagonalizing AA^T , we now know the singular values σ_i and right singular vectors \vec{v}_i .

To get \vec{u}_i , note $\vec{u}_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_i} A \vec{v}_i$. \checkmark

□

Corollary: For any A ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|A\| &= \sqrt{\max \text{e-value of } AA^T} \\ &= \sqrt{\max \text{e-value of } A^T A}. \end{aligned}$$

For normal matrices, the relationship between

singular values and eigenvalues is even simpler.

A normal

$$\Rightarrow A = U D U^\dagger$$

↑ unitary ↑ diag. w/ e-values
 $= \sum_i \lambda_i \vec{u}_i \vec{u}_i^\dagger$
 ↑ e-vectors
 columns of U)
 $= \sum_i |\lambda_i| \cdot \left(\frac{\lambda_i}{|\lambda_i|} \vec{u}_i \right) \cdot \vec{u}_i^\dagger$

This is an SVD for A !

Claim: If A is **normal**, then its

singular values = absolute values of eigenvalues.

Corollary: If A is **normal**,

$$\|A\| = \max |\text{eigenvalue of } A|.$$

(Again, this is generally false for non-normal matrices.)

Example: If A is **orthogonal** or **unitary**,
all its singular values are 1.

(Of course, we already knew this; an SVD for A is
 $A = \sum_i (Ae_i) e_i^\dagger$, since the set $\{Ae_i\}$ is orthonormal.)