

# Calculating Biological Quantities

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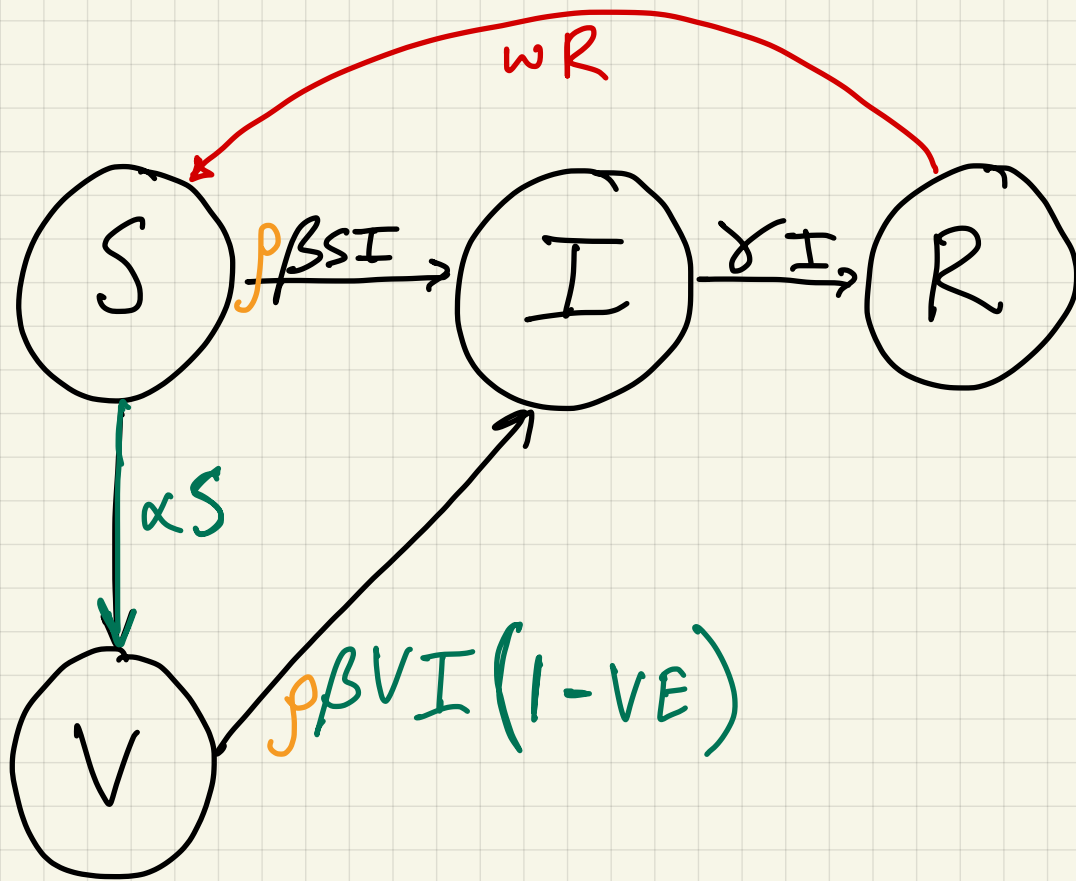
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# Why the surge in flu on campuses this year?



①  $\rho$  very small for a year.

$$\dot{R} = \gamma I - wR$$

$$\dot{R} = -wR \rightarrow R(t) = R_0 e^{-wt}$$

$\Rightarrow$  more S

②  $VE$  is lower this year.

$$VE \in [0.25, 0.75]$$

$\Rightarrow$  Flow from  $V \rightarrow I$  looks like flow from  $S \rightarrow I$

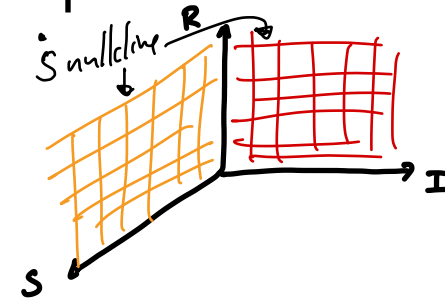
③ High  $\rho \rightarrow$  high  $S \rightarrow I$   
 $V \rightarrow I$  rates.

$\rho$  - contact parameter  $\rho = 1$  "normal"  
 $VE$  - vaccine effectiveness  $\rho = \frac{1}{2}$  soc. dist.

# Last time on CSCI 2897

A **nullcline** is a curve (or surface) in phase space on which one of the variables' rate of change is zero,  $\dot{n}_i = 0$ . An **equilibrium** is therefore a point where all the nullclines intersect.

e.g.  $\dot{S} = -\beta SI \Rightarrow S=0, I=0$



**Linear** model  $\frac{d\vec{n}}{dt} = M\vec{n}$   
 $\hat{\vec{n}} = 0$

**Affine** model  $\frac{d\vec{n}}{dt} = M\vec{n} + \vec{c}$   
 $\hat{\vec{n}} = -M^{-1}\vec{c}$

## Rules:

- A linear or affine model in continuous time has only one equilibrium regardless of the number of variables, provided that the determinant of  $M$  is not zero.
- If  $\det(M) = 0$ , there are an *infinite* number of equilibria.

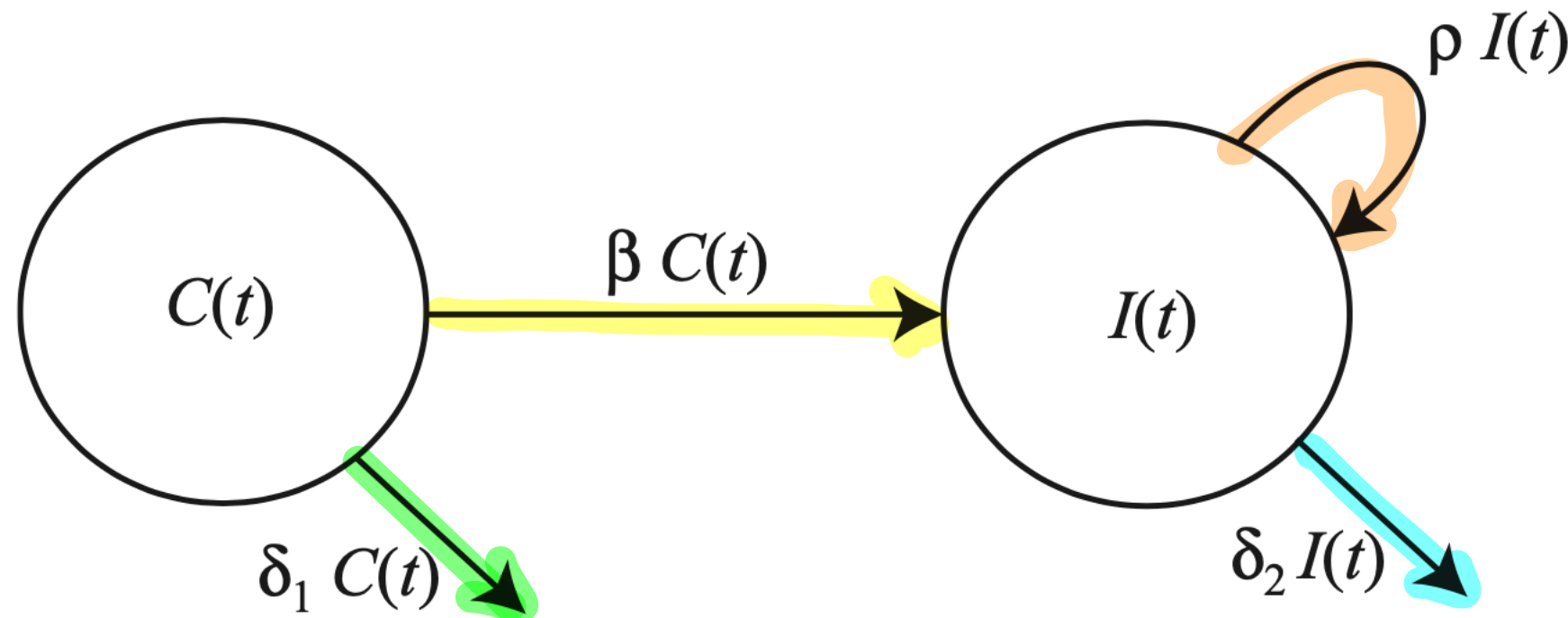
## Stability of equilibria (real eigenvalues):

- If all eigenvalues are negative, the system is stable.
- If one or more eigenvalues are positive, the system is unstable.

# Metastasis of Malignant Tumors

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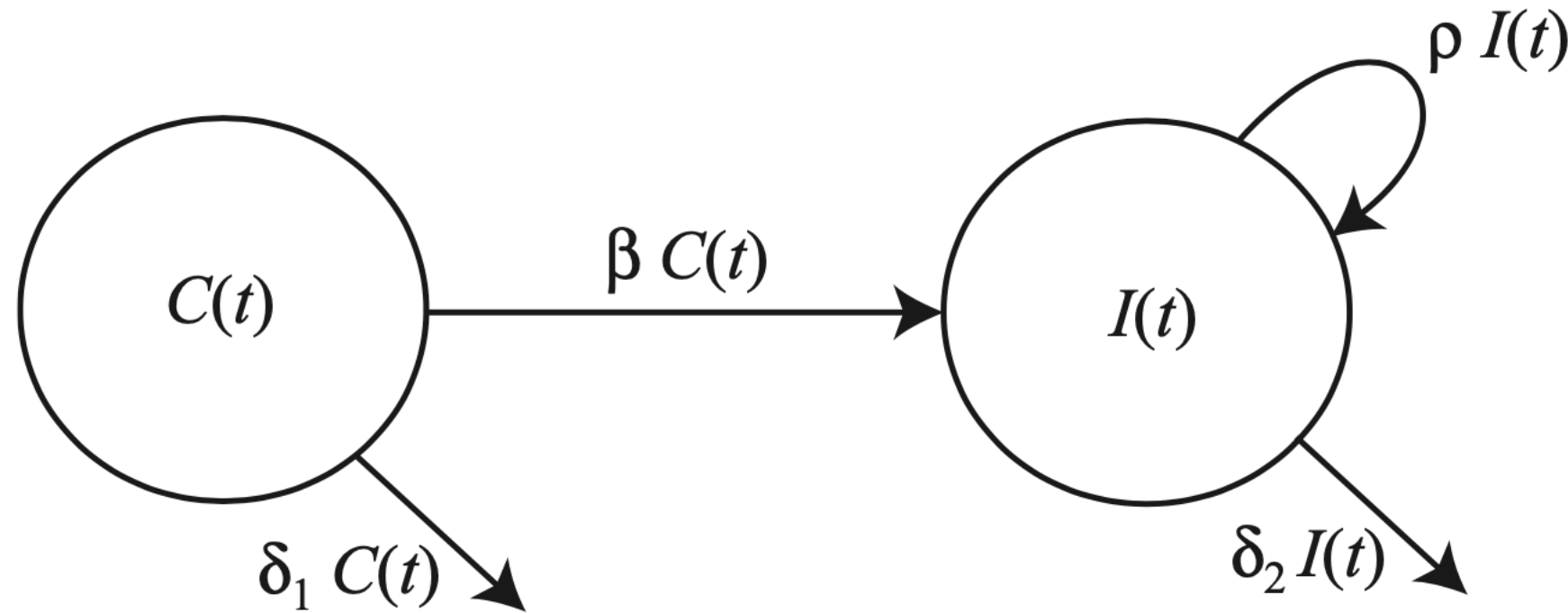


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$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta C + \rho I - \delta_2 I$$

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$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta C - \delta_2 I + \rho I$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{dC}{dt} \\ \frac{dI}{dt} \end{pmatrix} = M \begin{pmatrix} C \\ I \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} -(\delta_1 + \beta) & 0 \\ \beta & \rho - \delta_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix is driving the dynamics.

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1. Identify the equilibrium or equilibria.
2. Determine the stability.

① If  $\det(M) \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  equilibrium  $\begin{pmatrix} C \\ I \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Check  $\det(M) = -(\delta_1 + \beta)(\rho - \delta_2) - 0 \cdot \beta$

$$-(\delta_1 + \beta)(\rho - \delta_2)$$

Can this be zero?

cannot be zero, because  $\delta_1$  and  $\beta > 0$

can be 0 if  $\rho = \delta_2$

Conclusion:  
If  $\rho \neq \delta_2$ , then the equilibrium occurs at  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

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② Stability.  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = \frac{\text{tr}(M) \pm \sqrt{\text{tr}^2(M) - 4 \det}}{2}$

$\rightarrow \lambda_1 = -(\delta_1 + \beta)$  ← always neg!

$\lambda_2 = \rho - \delta_2$  ← sometimes negative.

Stability of the no-cancer equilibrium depends on  $\delta_2$  and  $\rho$

if  $\rho > \delta_2 \rightarrow$  unstable (growth > death)

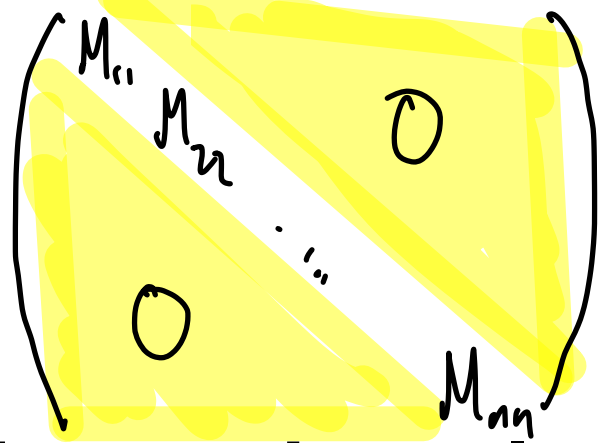
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$\rho = \delta_2 \rightarrow$  infinite equilibria (see ①)

# Definitions & Tricks: Diagonal and Triangular Matrices

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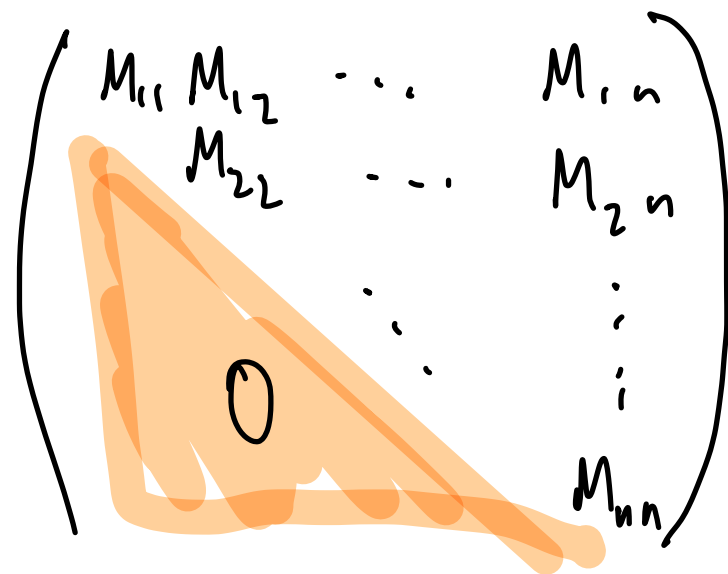


A matrix  $M$  is diagonal if and only if  $M_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i \neq j$ .

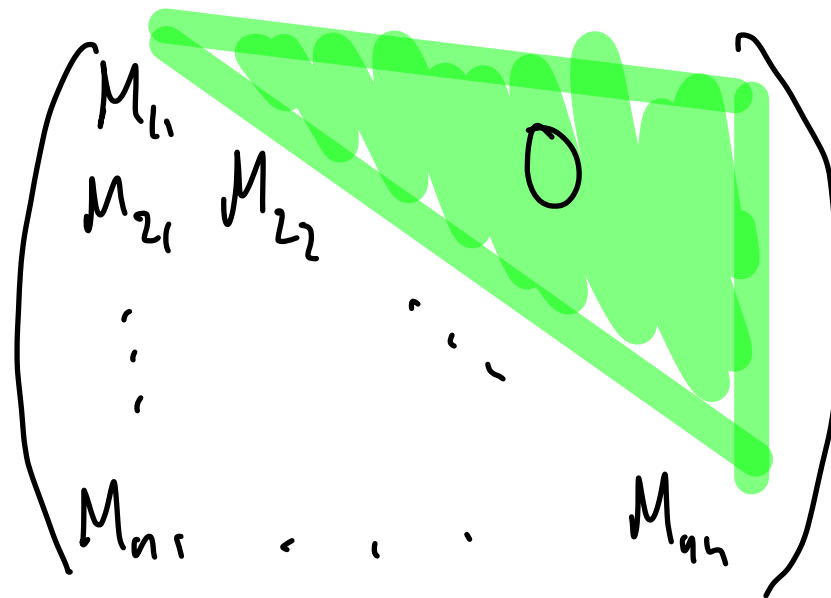
$M_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i > j$

$M_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i < j$

Definition: a **triangular matrix**



Upper Triangular Matrix



Lower Triangular Matrix

4 nice facts.

① if  $D$  is diagonal,  $D = D^T$

② if  $U$  is upper triangular  
 $\Rightarrow U^T$  is lower triangular

③ if  $L$  is lower triangular,  
 $\Rightarrow L^T$  is upper triangular.

④ if  $M$  is both lower triangular and upper triangular, then...  $M$  is diagonal.

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- or
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then, its eigenvalues are the  
entries on the diagonal of  $M$ .

Ex:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & \pi \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{aligned} \lambda_1 &= 1 \\ \lambda_2 &= 2 \\ \lambda_3 &= \pi \end{aligned}$$

Ex:

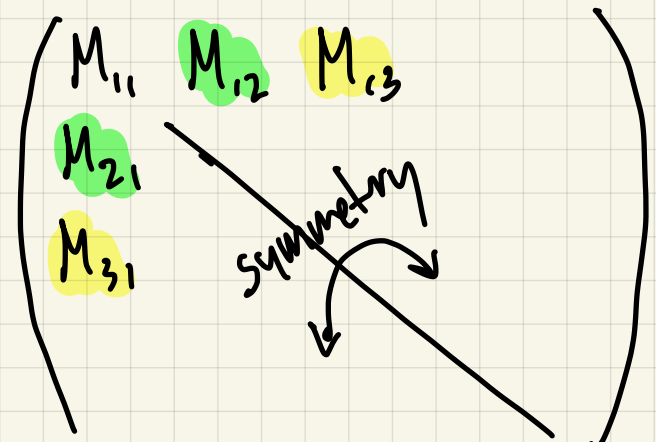
$$\begin{pmatrix} 19 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2000 \end{pmatrix}$$

my eigenvalues



## Definition:

- A symmetric matrix  $M$  has entries such that  $M_{ij} = M_{ji}$  for all  $i, j$ .
- Symmetric matrices must be square.

- $M = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} & M_{13} \\ M_{21} & & \\ M_{31} & & \end{pmatrix}$   $M_{21} = M_{12}$   


- $M = M^T$

# Complex Eigenvalues

Unreal! Sometimes we can have eigenvalues which are *complex numbers*.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \lambda_1, \lambda_2 = \frac{\text{tr}(A) \pm \sqrt{\text{tr}^2(A) - 4\det(A)}}{2}$$

diff.  $a, b, c$  than  
our matrix.

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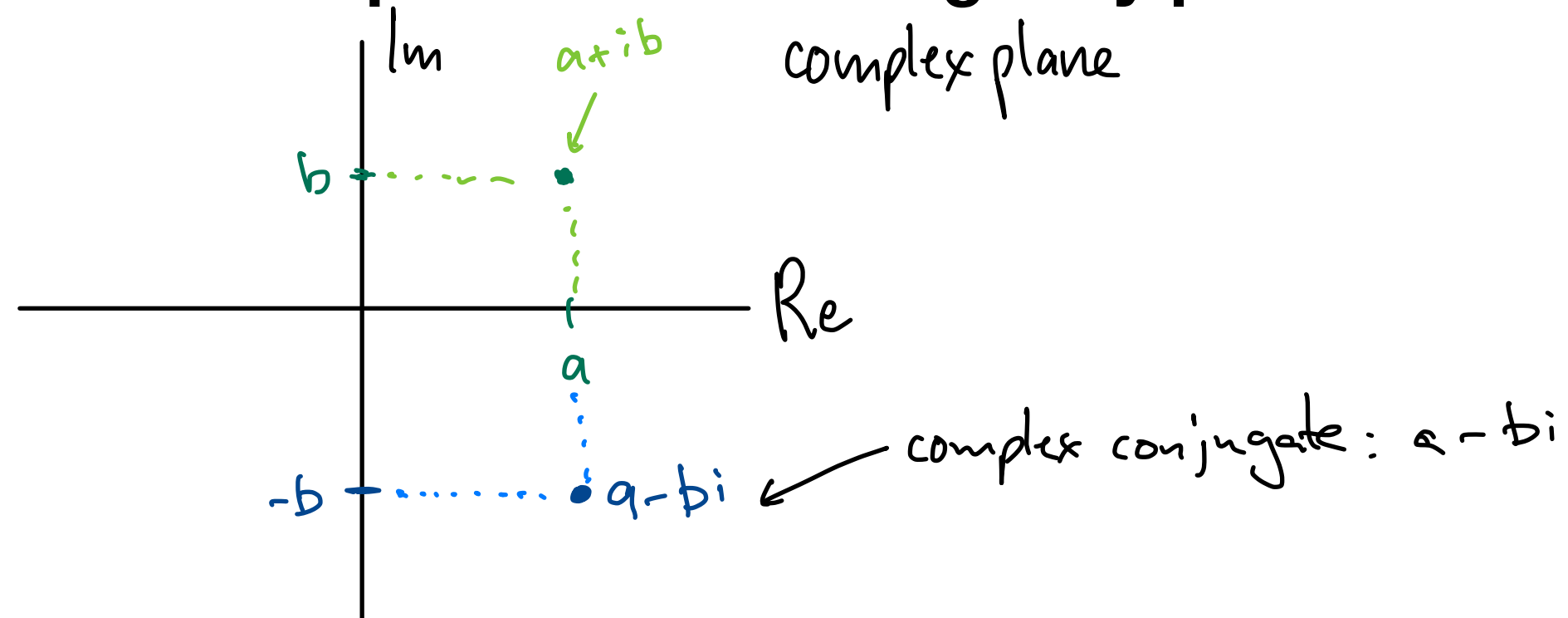
A **complex number** is a number  $c = a + bi$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are real and  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  is “imaginary.”

In our formula above, what's the **real part**? And the **imaginary part**?

$$c = a + bi$$

↑  
real part  
Re

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imaginary part  
Im



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$$a = \frac{\text{tr}(A)}{2}, \quad \text{and} \quad b = \frac{\sqrt{-\text{tr}^2(A) + 4\det(A)}}{2}$$

$$\text{and therefore } \lambda_1 = a + bi, \quad \lambda_2 = a - bi$$

① if  $\lambda_1$  complex  $\Rightarrow \lambda_2$  complex

②  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are complex conjugates if complex

Fundamental  
Thm of  
Algebra.

Notice: either both eigenvalues are complex, or both are real.

# Euler's Equation

$$e^{\lambda t} = e^{(a+bi)t}$$

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$

We will not derive this miraculous equation, but come to office hours if you are excited or puzzled by this!

For extra magic, set  $\theta = \pi$ ...

$$e^x$$

exponential

$$1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$$

exponential (Taylor's version)

$$e^{i\pi} = \underbrace{\cos \pi}_{\sim -1} + i \underbrace{\sin \pi}_0$$

$$e^{i\pi} + 1 = 0$$

5 fundamental constants.