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### **Preface**

• The simplest problems: single eqn/scalar problems for unknown u

Statics: 
$$au = b$$

$$\dfrac{ ext{Statics}: \quad au=b \qquad \qquad ext{Dynamics}: \quad \dfrac{du}{dt}=au-b, \quad u(0)=c$$

Solutions: 
$$u = b/a$$

$$u(t) = (c - b/a)e^{at} + b/a$$

• The next level: matrix/vector systems

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 Solution:  $u = A^{-1}b$ 

but, what if you couldn't use the inverse matrix " $A^{-1}$ "?

There's a different way to write the soln if you know the eigenvalues  $(\lambda)$  and eigenvectors  $(\phi)$  of matrix A (from  $A\phi = \lambda \phi$ ) then

Eigen-expansion Solution: 
$$\mathbf{u} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} c_k \phi_k$$
 [IOU: how to calculate  $c_k$ 's]

Also works for Dynamics problems: 
$$\frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{b}, \quad \mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{c}$$

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- The general level (551): linear operator problems

  Writing solns as eigen-expansions works for a large array of types of problems:
  - ODE's, example:  $Arac{d^2u}{dx^2}+Brac{du}{dx}+Cu=f(x)$
  - Integral equations
  - PDE's in 1-D, 2-D, 3-D
  - Other classes of linear problems, numerical methods (FFT, Galerkin FEM),
     and linear stability analysis (comparing experiments and model predictions)
- Key issues will be determining the  $\{\lambda, \phi\}$ 's, how to write the expansion and how to calculate the coefficients....
- The eigen-expansion approach also connects to: Green's fcn integrals, spectral theory, the Fredholm alternative theorem, Bessel fcn expansions, Fourier transforms, Laplace transforms, complex contour integrals....
- 551 is not about specific formulas or solns, it's about a **solution process** for getting solns and properties (is the soln unique? does a soln exist at all? and results you need to calculate from the soln) in the most direct way.

Part I

Lecture 1

**Extending basic ideas from Linear Algebra** 

[Haberman Sect 5.5 Appendix]

**Inner products**  $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle$  are generalizations of the vector dot product.

For real vectors,  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , define the inner product as  $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle \equiv \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v}$ . Other definitions for the inner product are made for other classes of problems (ODEs, PDEs, ...). All inner products share common properties:

- Inner products are used to define norms, orthogonality, adjoints.
- $\bullet$  The **linearity property** of inner products: for all vectors  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$ :

$$\langle \underline{a}\underline{u} + \underline{b}\underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle = \langle \underline{a}\underline{u}, \underline{w} \rangle + \langle \underline{b}\underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle = \underline{a}\langle \underline{u}, \underline{w} \rangle + \underline{b}\langle \underline{v}, \underline{w} \rangle$$

inner prod. of linear-combination-of-vectors = lin. combo. of inner-prods. (i.e. can expand-out sums, and factor-out constant scalar multiples)

ullet The **norm property** of inner products: for all vectors  ${f u}$ 's,

$$|\mathbf{u}|^2 \equiv \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle \geq 0$$
 and  $|\mathbf{u}| = 0$  if and only if  $\mathbf{u} = \vec{0}$ 

• Orthogonality of vectors is defined by the inner product,

$$\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{v} \qquad \leftrightarrow \qquad \left| \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \mathbf{0} \right|$$

ullet Eigenvalues  $oldsymbol{\lambda}$  and eigenvectors  $\phi$  of  ${f L}$  are defined by:

$$oxed{\mathbf{L}\phi=oldsymbol{\lambda}\phi}$$
 with  $|\phi|
eq 0$ 

Eigen-vals/vecs calculated using:  $\det(\mathbf{L}-\lambda\mathbf{I})=0$  then  $(\mathbf{L}-\lambda_k\mathbf{I})\phi_k=\vec{0}$ 

ullet The **adjoint operator**  ${f L}^*$  is defined by the inner product adjoint relation:

$$\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{L}\mathbf{u} 
angle = \langle \mathbf{L}^*\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} 
angle$$
 for any  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}$ 

The adjoint eigenvalues  $\gamma$  and adjoint eigenvectors  $\psi$  are defined by:

$$\mathbf{L}^*\psi = \gamma\psi$$
 with  $|\psi| \neq 0 \implies \det(\mathbf{L}^* - \gamma\mathbf{I}) = 0 \rightarrow (\mathbf{L}^* - \gamma_j\mathbf{I})\psi_j = \vec{0}$ 

For real vectors, with  $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v}$ , for real matrix  $\mathbf{L}$ , the adjoint relation:

$$\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{L}\mathbf{u} \rangle = \mathbf{v}^T (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{u}) = (\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{L}\mathbf{u})^T = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}^T (\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{v}) =$$
$$(\mathbf{u}^T (\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{v}))^T = (\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{v}))^T \mathbf{u} = \langle \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} \rangle$$

Using 
$$c=c^T$$
 for scalars, and  $(ABC)^T=C^TB^TA^T \implies \mathbf{L}^*=\mathbf{L}^T$  (transpose).

#### Further results for Linear Operators on real vectors:

Relations between adjoint eigenvalues and regular eigenvalues:

$$\det(\mathbf{L}^T-\gamma\mathbf{I})=0 \qquad \text{vs.} \qquad \det(\mathbf{L}-\lambda\mathbf{I})=0$$
 Start: 
$$\det(\mathbf{L}^T-\gamma\mathbf{I})=\det((\mathbf{L}^T-\gamma\mathbf{I})^T)=\det(\mathbf{L}-\gamma\mathbf{I})=0$$
 Using properties: 
$$\det(\mathbf{M})=\det(\mathbf{M}^T), \quad (\mathbf{M}+\mathbf{N})^T=\mathbf{M}^T+\mathbf{N}^T, \quad (\mathbf{L}^T)^T=\mathbf{L}, \quad \mathbf{I}^T=\mathbf{I}$$
 So the adjoint eigenvalues satisfy the eig-val eqn, and are the same: 
$$\boxed{\gamma=\lambda}$$
 But the eig-vecs  $\phi_k$  and adj-eig-vecs  $\psi_j$  are generally different.

Relations between eigenvectors and adjoint eigenvectors:

If 
$$\lambda_{k} 
eq \lambda_{j}$$
 then  $\phi_{k} \perp \psi_{j}$ 

#### The bi-orthogonality of the sets of eigenvectors

Start with 
$$\lambda_k \langle \psi_j, \phi_k \rangle = \langle \psi_j, \lambda_k \phi_k \rangle$$
 [via linearity] 
$$= \langle \psi_j, \mathbf{L} \phi_k \rangle$$
 [via  $\mathbf{L} \phi_k = \lambda_k \phi_k$ ] 
$$= \langle \mathbf{L}^T \psi_j, \phi_k \rangle$$
 [via adjoint relation] 
$$= \langle \lambda_j \psi_j, \phi_k \rangle$$
 [via  $\mathbf{L}^* \psi_j = \lambda_j \psi_j$ ] 
$$= \lambda_j \langle \psi_j, \phi_k \rangle$$
 [via linearity, End]

$$(\mathsf{Start}) - (\mathsf{End}) = 0 \qquad \to \qquad (\lambda_k - \lambda_j) \langle \psi_j, \phi_k \rangle = 0 \implies \left| \langle \psi_j, \phi_k \rangle = 0 \right|$$

**Completeness**: The set of vec's  $\{\phi_k\}$  is called a **complete basis set** if every given vec  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  can be written as a linear combination of the  $\phi_k$  basis vec's:

$$\mathbf{w} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} c_k \phi_k$$

 $\left| \mathbf{w} = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k \phi_k 
ight|$  How do we determine the  $c_k$  coefficients for w?

Key step:  $| \mathbf{Orthogonal} | \mathbf{Projection} | = \mathsf{The} | \mathbf{universal} | \mathbf{problem-solving} | \mathbf{approach} |$ Always starts with taking the inner product of both sides of the equation with each of the adjoint eigenvectors  $\psi_j$  for  $j=1,2,3,\cdots,n$ :  $ig|ra{\langle\psi_j,\mathsf{Eqn}
angle}ig|$ 

$$egin{array}{lll} \langle \psi_j, \mathbf{w} 
angle &=& \left\langle \psi_j, \sum c_k \phi_k 
ight
angle & & ext{[via } \langle \psi_j, \operatorname{LHS} 
angle = \langle \psi_j, \operatorname{RHS} 
angle ] \ &=& \sum_k c_k \langle \psi_j, \phi_k 
angle & ext{[via linearity]} \ &=& c_j \langle \psi_j, \phi_j 
angle & ext{[via bi-orthogonality for } j 
eq k \end{bmatrix}$$

and finally, swap index letters, j and k, to get a formula for each coefficient:

$$\implies c_k = \frac{\langle \psi_k, \mathbf{w} \rangle}{\langle \psi_k, \phi_k \rangle} \rightarrow \mathbf{w} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\langle \psi_k, \mathbf{w} \rangle}{\langle \psi_k, \phi_k \rangle} \phi_k$$