

§ A review of matrix  $\Leftrightarrow$  linear operator      Conjugation  $\Leftrightarrow$  change of basis

△ We start with a vector space  $V$ , a basis  $\{e_i\}_{i=1}^n$  for  $V$ , and a linear operator  $T: V \rightarrow V$

Since  $\{e_i\}$  is basis,  $Te_i$  is a linear combination of  $\{e_i\}$ .

So there exists column vector  $A_i$  s.t.

$$Te_i = (e_1 \dots e_n) A_i$$

Putting these together, we can write  $T(e_1 \dots e_n) = (e_1 \dots e_n) (A_1 A_2 \dots A_n)$

Here  $(A_1 \dots A_n)$  becomes  $n \times n$  matrix, and we call it  $A_T = (A_1 \dots A_n)$

So we can write

$$T(e_1 \dots e_n) = (e_1 \dots e_n) A_T \quad \textcircled{1}$$

Example: Consider the case  $\dim V = 2$  and  $\{e_1, e_2\}$  is a basis. Consider  $T$  satisfying

$$Te_1 = e_1 + 2e_2, \quad Te_2 = 3e_1 + 4e_2$$

Then we can write  $T(e_1, e_2) = (e_1, e_2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A_T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

△ Changing basis.

Same notations as above. Choose now a new basis  $\{f_i\}_{i=1}^n$  for  $V$ .

Since  $\{e_i\}$  is a basis, for each  $f_i$ , there is a column vector  $g_i$  s.t.

$$f_i = (e_1 \dots e_n) g_i$$

Putting together  $(f_1 \dots f_n) = (e_1 \dots e_n) (g_1 \dots g_n) \quad \textcircled{2}$

Denote  $g = (g_1 \dots g_n)$  It is a  $n \times n$  matrix, which is invertible

multiply by  $g^{-1}$  on the right for both sides of  $\textcircled{2}$

$$(f_1 \dots f_n) g^{-1} = (e_1 \dots e_n) \quad \textcircled{3}$$

△ Now we can study the same linear operator  $T$  in terms of new basis  $\{f_i\}$

For the same reason as for  $\textcircled{1}$ , there exists a matrix  $\bar{A}_T$ , s.t.

$$T(f_1 \dots f_n) = (f_1 \dots f_n) \bar{A}_T \quad \textcircled{4}$$

such that

because  $\{f_i\}$  is a basis

We want to know the relation between  $A_T$  and  $\tilde{A}_T$

To do this, we use ②, ③. So

$$T(f_1, \dots, f_n) \stackrel{②}{=} T(e_1, \dots, e_n) g \stackrel{①}{=} (e_1, \dots, e_n) A_T g \stackrel{③}{=} (f_1, \dots, f_n) g^{-1} A_T g$$

Comparing with ④, we conclude that

$$g^{-1} A_T g = \tilde{A}_T \quad (*)$$

We can  $g^{-1} A_T g$  the conjugation of  $A_T$  by  $g$ . We also say  $g^{-1} A_T g$  and  $A_T$  are similar.  
 Gist: Changing basis  $\Leftrightarrow$  matrix conjugation

## § Complex numbers

• Motivation: want to solve all polynomial equation

Ex:  $P(x) = x^2 - a \quad a \in \mathbb{R}$

Q: Can we find solutions for  $P(x) = 0$ ?

$$\begin{cases} \text{If } a \geq 0 \text{ then yes } x = \pm \sqrt{a}. \\ \text{If } a < 0 \text{ eg. } a = -1, \text{ then } x^2 + 1 = 0 \text{ has no solutions in } \mathbb{R}. \end{cases}$$

• Made up a solution, called "i" s.t.  $i^2 + 1 = 0$  or  $i^2 = -1$

• Fundamental theorem of algebra:  $i$  "produces" solutions for any polynomial equation  $P(x) = 0$ .

• Make precise "produce"

Def: The field of complex number  $\mathbb{C}$  is a 2-dim vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$

$\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}i$  together with a multiplication s.t.


$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} &\rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ x, y &\mapsto xy \end{aligned}$$

S.t. It is  $\begin{cases} \mathbb{R}\text{-linear in both } x \text{ and } y \\ 1 \cdot 1 = 1 & 1 \cdot i = i \cdot 1 = i & i \cdot i = -1 \\ \cdot \text{ is distributive and associative} \end{cases}$

• Translate  $z \in \mathbb{C} \quad z = a + bi \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R} \quad z_1 + z_2 = (a_1 + a_2) + i(b_1 + b_2)$  (direct sum)  
 $\mathbb{C} z = ca + cb i \quad z_j = a_j + b_j i \quad j=1, 2.$

$$(c_1 z_1) \cdot (c_2 z_2) = c_1 c_2 z_1 z_2 \quad \text{Commutative: } z_1 z_2 = z_2 z_1$$

distributive  $\Rightarrow z_1 z_2 = (a_1 + b_1 i)(a_2 + b_2 i) = a_1 a_2 + b_1 a_2 i + a_1 b_2 i + b_1 b_2 i^2$   $\textcircled{*}$   
 $= (a_1 a_2 - b_1 b_2) + i(b_1 a_2 + a_1 b_2)$

$\Delta$   $\mathbb{C}$  can also be identified with  $xy$ -plane  $z = x + iy \mapsto (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  

$\Delta$  Complex Conjugate (not to be confused with matrix conjugation)

Def: for  $z = a + ib \in \mathbb{C}$  its conjugate is  $\bar{z} = a - ib$

Lem:  $\forall z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ , we have  $\overline{z_1 z_2} = \bar{z}_1 \cdot \bar{z}_2$

$\nearrow$  for any Pf: suppose  $z_j = a_j + ib_j$  for  $j=1, 2$ . Using  $\textcircled{*}$ , we get  $\bar{z}_1 \cdot \bar{z}_2$  and  $\overline{z_1 z_2}$  are both

$$(a_1 a_2 - b_1 b_2) - i(a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_1) \quad \# \longleftarrow \text{end of proof}$$

Lem: For any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $z \bar{z} \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  and  $z^{-1} = \frac{1}{z \bar{z}} \bar{z}$

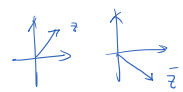
Pf: Suppose  $z = a + ib$  then  $\bar{z} = a - ib$

$$\text{and } z \bar{z} = (a + ib)(a - ib) = (a^2 + b^2) + i(-ab + ab) = a^2 + b^2 \in \mathbb{R} \quad \#$$

, Def:  $|z| = \sqrt{z \bar{z}} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$  Consistent with distance in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , measures how 'large' is  $z$

$$\text{Lem: } \begin{cases} |z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2| \\ |z| = 0 \iff z = 0 \\ |z_1 z_2| = |z_1| \cdot |z_2| \end{cases}$$

We only check  $|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| \cdot |z_2|$

Pf: By definition,  $|z_1 z_2| = \sqrt{(z_1 z_2) \overline{(z_1 z_2)}} = \sqrt{(z_1 \bar{z}_1) (z_2 \bar{z}_2)}$  

$\swarrow$  Commutative  
associative

$$|z_1| \cdot |z_2| = \sqrt{z_1 \bar{z}_1} \cdot \sqrt{z_2 \bar{z}_2} = \sqrt{(z_1 \bar{z}_1) (z_2 \bar{z}_2)} \quad \#$$