

1. a) $Sv = \lambda v$ (1)

→ Assume $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, \therefore

$$S\bar{v} = \bar{\lambda}\bar{v} \quad (2)$$

$$\bar{v}^T Sv = \bar{v}^T \lambda v \quad (1)' \quad v^T S \bar{v} = v^T \bar{\lambda} \bar{v} \quad (2)'$$

(1)' - (2)'

$$\bar{v}^T Sv - v^T S \bar{v} = \bar{v}^T \lambda v - v^T \bar{\lambda} \bar{v}$$

$\therefore S$ is symmetric, $\bar{v}^T Sv - v^T S \bar{v} = 0, \therefore$

$$\bar{v}^T v (\lambda - \bar{\lambda}) = 0 \dots$$

$\therefore \bar{v}^T v \neq 0, \lambda - \bar{\lambda} = 0, \therefore \lambda$ must be real.

b) $Sv = \lambda v$

$$\rightarrow Sv_i = \lambda_i v_i \quad (1)$$

$$Sv_j = \lambda_j v_j \quad (2)$$

$$v_i^T Sv_i = v_i^T \lambda_i v_i \quad (1)' \quad v_i^T Sv_j = v_i^T \lambda_j v_j \quad (2)'$$

$$\lambda_i v_i^T v_i - v_i^T \lambda_j v_j = v_i^T \lambda_i v_i - v_i^T \lambda_j v_j$$

$\therefore S$ is symmetric, $v_i^T Sv_j - v_j^T Sv_i = 0, \therefore$

$$v_i^T v_j (\lambda_j - \lambda_i) = 0 \dots$$

$\therefore \lambda_j - \lambda_i \neq 0, v_i \perp v_j$

c) $\therefore S$ is symmetric, and all $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$

$$Sv_1 = \lambda_1 v_1$$

$$Sv_2 = \lambda_2 v_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$Sv_n = \lambda_n v_n$$

$\therefore v_i \perp v_j$, and λ_i can be scaled such that

$|v_i| = 1$, \therefore satisfies being orthonormal vectors in V which are orthonormal

Also, $\therefore S$ is $n \times n$, Eigen Value Decomposition Applies:

$$S = V \Lambda V^{-1}$$

$\therefore V$ is always invertible, V must have n vectors.

$\therefore V$ is orthonormal basis of n elements.

[citation]: Quandt, Richard E. Princeton University.
"Some basic matrix theorems"