

## Calculus and Linear Algebra II

1. (a) Suppose  $U$  is a unitary matrix. Prove that  $|\det U| = 1$ .

$$* \det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B) * \text{ and } * UU^* = I *$$

$$\det(U) \det(U^*) = \det(UU^*) = \det(I) = 1$$

$$\text{Let } \det(U) = a + bi, \text{ then } \det(U^*) = a - bi$$

$$(a + bi)(a - bi) = 1 \rightarrow a^2 + b^2 = 1$$

$$\det(U) = a + bi \rightarrow |\det(U)| = |a + bi| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

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(b) Show that if  $\lambda$  is a complex number with  $|\lambda| = 1$  then the matrix

$$U_\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}$$

is unitary.

\* Conjugate of the quotient of two complex numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  is the quotient of their conjugates \*

$$U_\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow U_\lambda^* = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\lambda} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\bar{\lambda}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\lambda} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\bar{\lambda}} \end{pmatrix}$$

\* The multiplication of a complex number  $z = a + bi$  and its conjugate  $\bar{z} = a - bi$  gives  $a^2 + b^2$  or  $\sqrt{|z|}$  \*

$$U_\lambda U_\lambda^* = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\lambda} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\bar{\lambda}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda \bar{\lambda} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\lambda \bar{\lambda}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I \rightarrow U_\lambda \text{ is unitary}$$

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2. Let  $A$  be the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & 2 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) Show that  $A$  is Hermitian.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} A^T &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & 2 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 2 \end{pmatrix} = A \rightarrow \text{symmetric} \\ A^* &= \begin{pmatrix} \bar{2} & \overline{\sqrt{2}} & \bar{0} \\ \overline{\sqrt{2}} & \bar{2} & \overline{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & \overline{\sqrt{2}} & \bar{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & 2 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 2 \end{pmatrix} = A \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow A \rightarrow \text{Hermitian}$$

(b) Find the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

$$\begin{vmatrix} t-2 & -\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ -\sqrt{2} & t-2 & -\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & -\sqrt{2} & t-2 \end{vmatrix} = (t-2)(t^2 - 4t + 2) - 2(t-2) = (t-2)(t^2 - 4t) = t(t-2)(t-4)$$

$$f(t) = -t^3 + 6t^2 - 8t = t(t-2)(t-4) \rightarrow \text{eigenvalues: } \lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = 2, \lambda_3 = 4$$

(c) Find an orthonormal basis for  $R^3$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & 2 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 2x_1 + \sqrt{2}x_2 = 0 \\ \sqrt{2}x_1 + 2x_2 + \sqrt{2}x_3 = 0 \\ \sqrt{2}x_2 + 2x_3 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}x_2 = x_3 \\ x_2 = -\sqrt{2}x_1 = -\sqrt{2}x_3 \\ x_3 = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}x_2 = x_1 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 1 \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix} = x_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & 0 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \sqrt{2}x_2 = 0 \\ \sqrt{2}x_1 + \sqrt{2}x_3 = 0 \\ \sqrt{2}x_2 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = -x_3 \\ x_2 = 0 \\ x_3 = -x_1 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & -2 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} -2x_1 + \sqrt{2}x_2 = 0 \\ \sqrt{2}x_1 - 2x_2 + \sqrt{2}x_3 = 0 \\ \sqrt{2}x_2 - 2x_3 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}x_2 = x_3 \\ x_2 = \sqrt{2}x_1 = \sqrt{2}x_3 \\ x_3 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}x_2 = x_1 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 1 \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix} = x_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{eigenvectors: } v_1 = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 1 \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix} = x_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, v_2 = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, v_3 = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 1 \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix} = x_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{orthonormal basis} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} & 0 & \sqrt{2} \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. Suppose  $A$  is a matrix which is both Hermitian and unitary. What are possible eigenvalues of  $A$ ?

Give an example of infinitely many such matrices.

Possible eigenvalues of  $A$  are those that are on the unit circle and are real numbers, such as  $\lambda = \pm 1$

$$\text{For example: } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

4. Show that the matrix

$$A_t = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t \\ t & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

is Hermitian. Find all values of  $t$  for which this matrix is positive definite.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} A^T &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t \\ t & 4 \end{pmatrix} = A \rightarrow \text{symmetric} \\ A^* &= \begin{pmatrix} \bar{1} & \bar{t} \\ \bar{t} & \bar{4} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t \\ t & 4 \end{pmatrix} = A \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow A \rightarrow \text{Hermitian}$$

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**Positive definite  $\rightarrow$  eigenvalues are positive**

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 1 & -t \\ -t & \lambda - 4 \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 4) - t^2 = \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 4 - t^2$$

$$f(t) = \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 4 - t^2 \rightarrow \text{eigenvalues: } \lambda_{1,2} = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 4(4 - t^2)}}{2} = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{9 + 4t^2}}{2}$$

$$\frac{5 \pm \sqrt{9 + 4t^2}}{2} > 0 \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{5 + \sqrt{9 + 4t^2}}{2} > 0 \rightarrow \sqrt{9 + 4t^2} > -5 \rightarrow t^n, n \text{ is even} \rightarrow t \in ]-\infty, \infty[ \\ \frac{5 - \sqrt{9 + 4t^2}}{2} > 0 \rightarrow \sqrt{9 + 4t^2} < 5 \rightarrow 9 + 4t^2 < 25 \rightarrow t^2 < 4 \rightarrow t \in ]-2, 2[ \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} t \in ]-2, 2[ \\ \text{(for only positive} \\ \text{eigenvalues)} \end{matrix}$$


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5. Let  $A$  be the matrix given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 4 & 0 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Compute the singular values of  $A$ .

$$A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -3 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 4 & 0 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 18 & -24 & 0 \\ -24 & 32 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} t - 18 & 24 & 0 \\ 24 & t - 32 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & t - 1 \end{vmatrix} = (t - 18)(t - 32)(t - 1) - 576(t - 1) = t^3 - 51t^2 + 50t$$

$$f(t) = t^3 - 51t^2 + 50t = t(t - 1)(t - 50) \rightarrow \text{eigenvalues: } \lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = 1, \lambda_3 = 50$$

The singular values in  $S$  are square roots of eigenvalues from  $AA^T$  or  $A^T A$ .

They are the diagonal entries of the  $S$  matrix and are arranged in descending order.

**Thus, singular values of  $A$ :  $\sigma_1 = 0, \sigma_2 = 1, \sigma_3 = 5\sqrt{2}$**

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