# T-ALGEBRA: AN IMPLEMENTATION OF MATRIX PARADIGM/PACKAGE OVER A NOVEL SEMISIMPLE COMMUTATIVE ALGEBRA

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#### 1. Introduction

In the big-data deluge era, the canonical matrix and tensor paradigm over an algebraically closed field plays an essential role in many areas, including but not limited to machine learning, computer vision, pattern analysis, and statistic inference. Under the canonical matrix and tensor paradigm, observed data are given in the form of high-order arrays of canonical scalars (i.e., real or complex numbers). For example, an RGB image is a real number array of order three, two orders for the image's spatial measures, and a third for the image's spectral measures. An RGB image is also said to have three modes or three-way. A color video sequence of images is of order four, with three orders for spatial-spectral measures and the fourth-order chronological tempo.

Therefore, it is a natural question of whether there exists an extension of the field  $\mathbb{C}$  over which a generalized matrix and tensor paradigm can be established and backward-compatible to the canonical paradigm over a field. Fortunately, the answer is yes, but one had to sacrifice at least one of the axioms of a field to obtain something extended.

Among these efforts trying to generalizing the field of complex numbers, well-known is Hamilton's  $\mathbb{H}$  of quaternions, which, up to isomorphism, is a real division subalgebra of the matrix algebra  $M_2(\mathbb{C})$  [Ham48, Roz88, HN11]. However, the multiplication of quaternions is not commutative.

Most hypercomplex number systems, including Hamilton's quaternions, are all subalgebras of Clifford algebra, and the fruits of generating complex numbers to obtain something extended. However, Clifford algebra's hypercomplex number systems are not suitable for general data analytics partially because they are either non-commutative or incompatible with many canonical notions such as euclidean norms. These hypercomplex number systems so far only find narrow niches in geometry and geometry-related branches of physics and computer sciences [Hes03, AS<sup>+</sup>04].

# 2. Functions for T-scalars

A matrix over C is called a tmatrix. In this article, its canonical counterpart over complex numbers is called a "canonical matrix," or just a "matrix."

The matrix paradigm over t-algebra C generalizes many notions of canonical matrices over complex numbers. In the following, we show how to use these t-matrix generalizations with the their MATLAB implementations.

2.1. T-SCALAR PRODUCT: tproduct. The following function tproduct computes the t-scalar product of two t-scalars tscalar01 and tscalar02.

The multi-way circular convolution can compute the product of two scalars in the spatial domain.

More specifically, let C be the set of all  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N$  complex arrays, namely  $C \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$ . For all  $A_T, B_T \in C \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$ , the t-scalar multiplication  $C_T \doteq A_T \circ B_T$  is defined by the N-way circular convolution of  $A_T$  and  $B_T$  as follows.

**Definition 2.1** (T-scalar multiplication (i.e., N-way circular convolution)). [LM20a] The  $(i_1, \dots, i_N)$ -th complex entry  $(C_T)_{i_1, \dots, i_N}$  of  $C_T \in C \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \dots \times I_N}$  is given by

$$(C_T)_{i_1,\dots,i_N} \doteq \sum_{(m_1,\dots,m_N)\in[I_1]\times\dots\times[I_N]} (A_T)_{m_1,\dots,m_N} \cdot (B_T)_{m'_1,\dots,m'_N} \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\forall (i_1,\dots,i_N)\in[I_1]\times\dots\times[I_N] . \tag{2.1}$$

where  $m'_n = \text{mod}(i_n - m_n, I - n) + 1$  for all  $n \in [N]$ .

The t-scalar product (i.e., N-way circular convolution) can be equivalently obtained in the Fourier domain by the Hadamard product. The computation in the Fourier domain is more efficient and is adopted in the following function tproduct.

FUNCTION 1. tproduct.m: t-scalar product of two sclalars

```
function result = tproduct(tscalar01, tscalar02)
% This function computes the product of two t-scalars
assert(isequal(size(tscalar01), size(tscalar02)));

% T-scalar product computed in the fourier domain by the Hadamard
% product
result = ifftn(fftn(tscalar01) .* fftn(tscalar02));
end
```

The input arguments tscalar01 and tscalar02 are complex arrays of the same shape. The line confirms their shapes (i.e., "size" by the MATLAB colloquialism) are identical.

In line 4, multi-way Fourier transform fftn and its inverse transform ifftn are invoked. The multi-way Fourier transform and its inverse transform can be equivalently computed by MATLAB's single-way Fourier transform fft and is demonstrated as follows.

FUNCTION 2. Demo: multi-way Fourier transform fftn implemented by single-way Fourier transforms fft

```
function fourier_transformed_tscalar = fftn(tscalar)
assert(isnumeric(tscalar));
number_of_index_axes = ndims(tscalar);
%Compute single-way fourier transform along each index axis.
fourier_transformed_tscalar = tscalar;
for i = 1: number_of_index_axes
fourier_transformed_tscalar = fft(fourier_transformed_tscalar, [], i);
end
end
```

Similarly, the multi-way inverse transform ifftn is computed by single-way inverse transforms ifft along different axes as follows.

FUNCTION 3. Demo: multi-way inverse Fourier transform ifftn implemented by single-way Fourier transforms ifft

```
function tscalar = ifftn(fourier_transformed_tscalar)
assert(isnumeric(fourier_transformed_tscalar));
number_of_index_axes = ndims(fourier_transformed_tscalar);
%Compute single-way inverse fourier transform along each index axis.
tscalar = fourier_transformed_tscalar;
for i = 1: number_of_index_axes
tscalar = fft(tscalar, [], i);
end
end
```

#### **SYNTAX**

```
C = tproduct(A, B)
```

# DESCRIPTION

Output C is the multi-way circular convolution of two arrays A and B. Output C and inputs A and B are numeric arrays of the same size. This function generalizes the canonical multiplication of two complex numbers.

#### **EXAMPLES**

Compute the multiplication of two t-scalars A and B, both of them in the form of a  $1 \times 4$  real array.

```
>> A = [1 1 1 1];

>> B = [2 2 2 2];

>> C = tproduct(A,B)

C =

8 8 8 8 8
```

Compute the multiplication of two random t-scalars A and B, both of them in the form of a  $3 \times 3$  real array.

```
>> A = rand(3)
A =
    0.4984
                         0.2551
               0.5853
    0.9597
                         0.5060
               0.2238
    0.3404
               0.7513
                         0.6991
>> B = rand(3)
B =
    0.8909
               0.1386
                         0.8407
    0.9593
               0.1493
                         0.2543
               0.2575
    0.5472
                         0.8143
>> C = tproduct(A, B)
C =
    2.4311
               2.5358
                         2.7127
    2.7564
               2.5265
                         2.6006
    2.8999
               2.4472
                         2.4721
```

Compute the multiplication of two random t-scalars A and B, both of them in the form of a  $2 \times 3$  complex array.

Compute the multiplication of two random t-scalars A and B, both of them in the form of a  $2 \times 2 \times 3$  real array.

$$A(:,:,3) = 0.5525 \quad 1.5442 \\ 1.1006 \quad 0.0859$$

$$>> B = randn(2, 2, 3)$$

$$B(:,:,1) = \\ -0.1774 & 1.4193 \\ -0.1961 & 0.2916$$

$$B(:,:,2) = 0.1978 -0.8045$$
  
 $1.5877 0.6966$ 

$$B(:,:,3) = 0.8351 \quad 0.2157$$

$$-0.2437$$
  $-1.1658$ 

$$C(:,:,1) = -1.3426 -1.0037$$
  
 $4.3985 5.0231$ 

Multi-way Fourier Transform and Inverse Transform. Liang Liao and Stephen John Maybank give a rigorous definition of multi-way Fourier transform and inverse transform in [LM20a, LM20b]. For convenience, the definition is organized as follows.

**Definition 2.2** (MULTI-WAY FOURIER TRANSFORM). The Fourier transform is a linear isomorphism defined by the N-mode multiplication of tensors, which sends each element  $X_T \in C \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$  to  $\tilde{X}_T \in C \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$  as follows.

$$\tilde{X}_T \doteq F(X_T) \doteq X_T \times_1 W_{mat}^{(I_1)} \cdots \times_k W_{mat}^{(I_n)} \cdots \times_N W_{mat}^{(I_N)} \in C \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$$
 (2.2)

where  $W_{mat}^{(I_n)} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_n \times I_n}$  denotes the  $I_n \times I_n$  Fourier matrix for all  $n \in [N]$ .

The  $(m_1, m_2)$ -th complex entry of the matrix  $W_{mat}^{(I_n)}$  is given by

$$\left(W_{mat}^{(I_n)}\right)_{m_1,m_2} = e^{2\pi i \cdot (m_1 - 1) \cdot (m_2 - 1) \cdot I_k^{-1}} \in \mathbb{C} , \quad \forall \ (m_1, m_2) \in [I_n] \times [I_n] . \tag{2.3}$$

The inverse multi-way transform  $F^{-1}: \tilde{X}_T \mapsto X_T$  is given by the following N-mode multiplication for tensors as follows.

$$X_T \doteq F^{-1}(\tilde{X}_T) = \tilde{X}_T \times_1 \left(W_{mat}^{(I_1)}\right)^{-1} \cdots \times_n \left(W_{mat}^{(I_n)}\right)^{-1} \cdots \times_N \left(W_{mat}^{(I_N)}\right)^{-1} \in C \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N} \quad (2.4)$$

where  $\left(W_{mat}^{(I_n)}\right)^{-1}$  denotes the inverse of the matrix  $W_{mat}^{(I_n)}$  for all  $n \in [N]$ .

It is possible to employ a different multi-way transform and inverse transform to define a variant t-algebra C. Nevertheless, we only discuss the proposed algebra based on multi-way Fourier transforms or equivalently multi-way circular convolution. Interested readers are referred to [LM20a, LM20b] to connect the multi-way circular convolution and Fourier transform.

2.2. FOURIER MATRIX: fourier\_matrix. Function fourier\_matrix gives the  $n \times n$  Fourier matrix.

FUNCTION 4. fourier\_matrix.m: function returns a  $n \times n$  Fourier transform

```
function fourier_matrix_result = fourier_matrix(n)
% this function computes the nxn Fourier matrix
assert(isscalar(n));
assert(n > 0);
fourier_matrix_result = fft(eye(n), [], 1);
end
```

#### SYNTAX

```
Y = fourier_matrix(n)
```

#### DESCRIPTION

Input n is a positive integer. Output Y is a  $n \times n$  complex matrix (i.e., Fourier matrix), whose  $(m_1, m_2)$ -th entry is given by equation (2.3).

# EXAMPLES

The  $3 \times 3$  fourier matrix is as follows.

The  $2 \times 2$  fourier matrix is as follows.

Remark 2.3 (Shape of a Fourier matrix). A Fourier matrix must be square.

2.3. Inverse Fourier Matrix: ifourier\_matrix. The inverse Fourier transform is given by the following code.

# FUNCTION 5. ifourier\_matrix: function returns a $n \times n$ Fourier transform

```
function ifourier_matrix_result = ifourier_matrix(n)
% this function computes the nxn inverse Fourier matrix
ifourier_matrix_result = conj(fourier_matrix(n)) / n;
end
```

#### **SYNTAX**

 $Y = ifourier_matrix(n)$ 

#### DESCRIPTION

Input n is a positive integer. Output Y is a  $n \times n$  complex matrix (i.e., inverse Fourier matrix). The output of ifourier\_matrix(n) is the inverse matrix of the output of fourier\_matrix(n).

Let the  $n \times n$  Fourier matrix be  $X_{mat} \doteq W_{mat}^{(I_n)}$  and its inverse matrix be  $Y_{mat} \doteq (W_{mat}^{(I_n)})^{-1}$ . Besides the equality  $X_{mat} \cdot Y_{mat} = Y_{mat} \cdot X_{mat} = I_{mat}$ , the following equality holds

$$(Y_{mat})_{m_1,m_2} = (1/n) \cdot \overline{(X_{mat})_{m_1,m_2}}$$

$$= (1/n) \cdot e^{-2\pi i \cdot (m_1 - 1) \cdot (m_2 - 1) \cdot I_k^{-1}} , \quad \forall (m_1, m_2) \in [I_n] \times [I_n]$$
(2.5)

Thus, Function 5 is an efficient way of computing an inverse Fourier matrix.

# **EXAMPLES**

The  $3 \times 3$  inverse fourier matrix is given as follows.

```
>> ifourier_matrix(3)
ans =
0.3333 + 0.0000i     0.3333 + 0.0000i     0.3333 + 0.0000i
0.3333 + 0.0000i     -0.1667 + 0.2887i     -0.1667 - 0.2887i
0.3333 + 0.0000i     -0.1667 - 0.2887i     -0.1667 + 0.2887i
```

2.4. IDENTITY T-SCALAR: E\_T. The function returns the identity t-scalar of a given size is given as follows.

# SYNTAX

```
E = E_T(tsize)
```

# DESCRIPTION

Input tsize is a row array of positive integers. Output is an array whose inceptional entry is equal to 1, and the other entries are equal to 0. The identity t-scalar generalizes the canonical identity scalar 1.

# **EXAMPLES**

The  $3 \times 3$  identity t-scalar is given as follows.

Compute the multi-way Fourer transform of the  $3 \times 3$  identity t-scalar

The  $2 \times 3$  identity t-scalar  $E_T$  is given as follows.

Compute the multi-way Fourer transform of the  $2 \times 3$  identity t-scalar.

2.5. Zero T-scalar: Z\_T. This function returns the zero t-scalar of a given size.

# **SYNTAX**

$$Y = Z_T(tsize)$$

# DESCRIPTION

Input tsize is a row array of positive integers. Output is an array of zeros. When tsize is a single positive integer, output is a square array of zeros.

The  $3 \times 3$  zero t-scalar is given as follows.

When the input argument is a single postive integer n, the output is a  $n \times n$  array of zeros.

The  $1 \times 3$  zero t-scalar is given as follows.

The  $2 \times 3 \times 2$  zero t-scalar is given as follows.

2.6. PSEUDO-INVERSE OF A T-SCLAAR: tpinv\_tscalar. This function returns the pseudo-inverse of a t-scalar.

# SYNTAX

# DESCRIPTION

Input tscalar is a numeric array. Output Y is a numeric array of the same size. This function generalizes the reciprocal of non-zero complex number.

#### **EXAMPLES**

Compute the pseudo-inverse of a complex number.

```
>> tpinv_tscalar(5)
ans =
          0.2000

>> tpinv_tscalar(i)
ans =
          0.0000 - 1.0000i

>> tpinv_tscalar(0)
ans =
          0
```

The pseudo-inverse of the  $3 \times 3$  identity t-scalar  $E_T$  is itself.

The pseudo-inverse of the  $3 \times 3$  zero t-scalar  $Z_T$  is still  $Z_T$ .

Compute the pseudo-inverse of a random t-scalar.

Mathematically, the following equality holds

$$E_T^+ \equiv E_T^{-1} \equiv E_T$$

$$Z_T^+ \equiv Z_T . \tag{2.6}$$

where  $(\cdot)^+$  denotes the psuedo-inverse of a t-scalar, and  $(\cdot)^{-1}$  denotes the inverse of a t-scalar.

The zero t-scalar  $Z_T$  is non-invertible and the identity t-scalar  $E_T$  is invertible. Any t-scalar is pseudo-invertible [LM20a, LM20b].

2.7. NORM AND ANGLE OF A T-SCALAR: tnorm\_angle. Function tnorm\_angle returns the norm (i.e., generalized absolute value, a nonnegative t-scalar) and the generalized angle (a nonnegative t-scalar) of the t-scalar.

# **SYNTAX**

```
[tnorm, tangle] = tnorm_angle(tscalar)
```

#### DESCRIPTION

Input tscalar and outputs tnorm, tangle are all numeric arrays of the same size.

#### **EXAMPLES**

```
>> tscalar = randn(3)
tscalar =
    0.5377
            0.8622
                       -0.4336
    1.8339
              0.3188
                        0.3426
   -2.2588
             -1.3077
                        3.5784
>> [tnorm, tangle] = tnorm_angle(tscalar)
tnorm =
    4.5066
            -0.9511
                       -0.9511
  -0.5076
             -0.0028
                        0.9449
  -0.5076
            0.9449
                       -0.0028
tangle =
   0.0000 + 0.0000i
                      0.0000 + 0.0686i 0.0000 - 0.0686i
   0.0000 - 0.7277i
                      0.0000 + 0.4253i
                                         0.0000 - 0.6812i
   0.0000 + 0.7277i
                      0.0000 + 0.6812i
                                         0.0000 - 0.4253i
```

The multi-way Fourier transform of the norm of a t-scalar is an array of nonnegative real numbers. See the following example.

```
>> fftn(tnorm)
ans =
    3.4734    3.5006    3.5006
    2.1698    7.8579    5.0149
    2.1698    5.0149    7.8579
```

The multi-way Fourier transform of the abgle of a t-scalar is an array of real numbers. See the following example.

2.8. CONJUGATE OF A T-SCALAR: tconj\_tscalar. Function tconj\_tscalar returns the conjugate of a given t-scalar.

#### **SYNTAX**

```
conj_tscalar = tconj_tscalar(tscalar)
```

# DESCRIPTION

Input tscalar and output conjutscalar are numeric arrays of the same size.

```
-1.4941 + 0.7592i -3.0064 + 1.7671i

-0.7605 - 3.3628i 0.9168 + 3.3881i

2.4662 + 0.4506i 2.3422 - 0.7739i

Columns 3 through 4

-1.4941 - 0.7592i -3.0064 - 1.7671i

-0.7605 + 3.3628i 0.9168 - 3.3881i

2.4662 - 0.4506i 2.3422 + 0.7739i
```

**Remark 2.4.** From the above example, it shows fftn(X) is the conjugate array of fftn(Y).

In the following example, A is a random t-scalar, and C is a so-called nonnegative t-scalar.

**Remark 2.5.** The above example shows the Fourier transform of a nonnegative t-scalar is an array of nonnegative real numbers.

2.9. REAL PART OF A T-SCALAR: treal\_part\_tscalar. For all t-scalar  $X_T \in C$ , the t-scalar in the form of  $\frac{X_T + X_T^*}{2}$  is called the real part of the t-scalar  $X_T$ .

It is easy to follow that the following equality holds for all  $X_T \in C$ ,

$$\left(\frac{X_T + X_T^*}{2}\right)^* \equiv \frac{X_T + X_T^*}{2} \tag{2.7}$$

The real part of a t-scalar is self-conjugate. Namely,  $\frac{X_T + X_T^*}{2} \in C^{sc}$ ,  $\forall X_T \in C$ , where  $C^{sc}$  denotes the subalgebra of C [LM20a, LM20b].

# SYNTAX

```
real_part = treal_part_tscalar(tscalar)
```

#### DESCRIPTION

Input tscalar and output real\_part are both numeric arrays of the same size, where tscalar can be any t-scalar in C and real\_part is the so-called real part of tscalar and a self-conjugate t-scalar in  $C^{sc}$ .

```
>> A = randn(3)
A =
    1.1006
             -1.4916
                         2.3505
    1.5442
             -0.7423
                        -0.6156
    0.0859
             -1.0616
                         0.7481
>> B = treal_part_tscalar(A)
B =
    1.1006
              0.4294
                         0.4294
    0.8151
              0.0029
                        -0.8386
    0.8151
             -0.8386
                         0.0029
>> C = tconj_tscalar(B)
C =
    1.1006
              0.4294
                         0.4294
    0.8151
              0.0029
                        -0.8386
                         0.0029
             -0.8386
    0.8151
>> fftn(B)
ans =
    1.9182
              3.1371
                         3.1371
    1.9800
             -1.8240
                         0.7005
    1.9800
              0.7005
                        -1.8240
```

**Remark 2.6.** It follows from the above examples that C is identical to B, namely, B is self-conjugate. The Fourier transform of B, (i.e., a self-conjugate t-scalar) is an array of real numbers.

2.10. IMAGINARY PART OF A T-SCALAR: timg\_part\_tscalar. For all t-scalar  $X_T \in C$ , the t-scalar in the form of  $\frac{X_T - X_T^*}{2i}$  is called the imaginary part of the t-scalar  $X_T$ .

It is easy to follow that the following equality holds for all  $X_T \in C$ ,

$$\left(\frac{X_T - X_T^*}{2i}\right)^* \equiv \frac{X_T - X_T^*}{2i} \tag{2.8}$$

The imaginary part of a t-scalar is self-conjugate. Namely,  $\frac{X_T - X_T^*}{2i} \in C^{sc}$ ,  $\forall X_T \in C$ , where  $C^{sc}$  denotes the subalgebra of C [LM20a, LM20b].

# **SYNTAX**

imag\_part = timg\_part\_tscalar(tscalar)

# DESCRIPTION

Input tscalar and output imag\_part are both numeric arrays of the same size, where tscalar can be any t-scalar in C and imag\_part is the so-called imaginary part of tscalar and a self-conjugate t-scalar in  $C^{sc}$ .

```
\Rightarrow A = randn(3) + i * randn(3)
  0.2916 - 1.1480i -0.8045 + 2.5855i -0.2437 - 0.0825i
  >> B = timg part tscalar(A)
B =
 -1.1480 + 0.0000i 1.2515 + 0.2804i 1.2515 - 0.2804i
  0.4136 + 0.6949i - 0.5529 - 0.9312i - 0.8728 + 0.3097i
  0.4136 - 0.6949i - 0.8728 - 0.3097i - 0.5529 + 0.9312i
>> C = tconj tscalar(B)
C =
 -1.1480 + 0.0000i 1.2515 + 0.2804i 1.2515 - 0.2804i
  0.4136 + 0.6949i - 0.5529 - 0.9312i - 0.8728 + 0.3097i
  0.4136 - 0.6949i - 0.8728 - 0.3097i - 0.5529 + 0.9312i
>> fftn(B)
ans =
  -0.6694 -1.8103 1.5172
   2.4944 - 0.7035 - 2.8644
```

```
2.2401 \quad -3.2276 \quad -7.3080
```

**Remark 2.7.** Since C is identical to B, B is self-conjugate, and the Fourier transform of B (i.e., a self-conjugate t-scalar) is an array of real numbers.

2.11. POWER OF A T-SCALAR: tpower. Function tpower returns the p power of a t-scalar,  $Y_T = (X_T)^p$ . When  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ , the function returns the arithmetic square root of a t-scalar  $Y_T = \sqrt{X_T}$ .

#### **SYNTAX**

```
tscalar_power = tpower(tscalar, p_value)
```

#### DESCRIPTION

Input tscalar and outputs tscalar\_power are numeric arrays of the same size. Input p\_value is a canonical scalar, i.e., a complex number. Usually, input p\_value is a real number.

```
>> A = randn(3) + i * randn(3)
A =
  1.7119 - 1.9609i -0.8396 + 2.9080i 0.9610 - 1.0582i
 -0.1941 - 0.1977i 1.3546 + 0.8252i 0.1240 - 0.4686i
 -2.1384 - 1.2078i -1.0722 + 1.3790i 1.4367 - 0.2725i
>> B = tpower(A, 2)
B =
  9.3472 + 4.9465i 5.5966 + 2.8883i -16.1201 - 9.0661i
  6.2115 +10.0242i 18.5029 - 8.5377i -16.8333 - 0.8297i
-10.9200 +16.9954i 14.1335 - 6.0189i -8.1149 -10.5458i
>> fftn(A)
ans =
  1.3440 - 0.0535i 4.3826 - 2.3565i -7.5884 - 7.6893i
  2.3033 - 2.7884i 3.8327 - 1.7446i 5.1228 - 4.2926i
  1.8525 + 2.5087i 7.0427 + 0.1217i -2.8853 - 1.3535i
>> [fftn(A) .^2, fftn(B)]
ans =
  1.0e+02 *
 Columns 1 through 3
```

**Remark 2.8.** The above example shows that the array fftn(A).^2 is identical to the array fftn(B).

More algebraically, for all t-scalar  $X_T \in C$ , let  $Y_T \doteq X_T^p$  and  $F(X_T) = \tilde{X}_T$  and  $F(Y_T) = \tilde{Y}_T$ . The following equality holds

$$\left( (\tilde{X}_T)_{m_1, m_2} \right)^p = (\tilde{Y}_T)_{m_1, m_2} , \forall m_1, m_2 . \tag{2.9}$$

When p = 1/2, one has the arithmetical square root of a t-scalar, which helps define the norm of a t-scalar or a t-matrix.

See the following examples.

```
>> C = tpower(A, 0.5)
C =
   1.7072 - 0.7392i -0.5633 + 0.6266i 0.3416 + 0.1000i
   0.0274 - 0.0826i
                    0.2279 + 0.1667i
                                         0.0453 - 0.0479i
  -0.2045 - 0.3783i - 0.5681 + 0.0536i 0.1459 + 0.2779i
>> [fftn(A) .^0.5, fftn(C)]
ans =
  Columns 1 through 3
   1.1595 - 0.0231i
                      2.1632 - 0.5447i 1.2678 - 3.0325i
   1.7205 - 0.8104i
                      2.0055 - 0.4350i
                                         2.4296 - 0.8834i
   1.5766 + 0.7956i
                      2.6539 + 0.0229i
                                        0.3884 - 1.7425i
  Columns 4 through 6
  1.1595 - 0.0231i
                      2.1632 - 0.5447i
                                       1.2678 - 3.0325i
                                         2.4296 - 0.8834i
   1.7205 - 0.8104i
                      2.0055 - 0.4350i
   1.5766 + 0.7956i
                      2.6539 + 0.0229i
                                         0.3884 - 1.7425i
```

2.12. RANDOM T-SCALAR: randn\_tscalar. For the convenience of demonstration, we give function randn\_tscalar, which returns a random t-scalar.

# **SYNTAX**

```
random_tscalar = randn_tscalar(tsize, mode)
```

#### DESCRIPTION

Input tsize is a row numeric array. Input mode is either 'real' or 'complex'. If only one input tsize is given, the second input is set to the default value 'complex'.

# **EXAMPLES**

```
>> randn_tscalar([2, 3])
ans =
    1.0984 - 1.5771i    0.7015 + 0.2820i    -0.3538 - 1.3337i
    -0.2779 + 0.5080i    -2.0518 + 0.0335i    -0.8236 + 1.1275i
>> randn_tscalar(3, 'real')
ans =
    -0.7145    -0.5890    -1.1201
    1.3514    -0.2938     2.5260
    -0.2248    -0.8479    1.6555
```

The following examples show that, for all t-scalar  $X_T \in C$ , the following equality holds [LM20a, LM20b]

$$X_T \circ X_T^* \equiv Re(X_T)^2 + Im(X_T)^2 \in S^{nonneg}$$
(2.10)

>> X = randn\_tscalar(2)

The following example shows that, for all  $X_T \in C$ , the t-scalar  $X_T \circ X_T^*$  is nonnegative. In other words,  $F(X_T \circ X_T^*)$  returns an array of nonnegative real numbers.

```
>> fftn(tproduct(X, tconj_tscalar(X)))
```

```
ans = 22.6249 + 0.0000i 10.4956 - 0.0000i 2.3111 + 0.0000i 14.1038 + 0.0000i
```

2.13. Generalized Exponential: texp. Generalized exponential of a t-scalar.

# **SYNTAX**

```
exp_result = texp(tscalar)
```

# DESCRIPTION

Input tscalar and output expresult are numeric arrays of the same size.

#### **EXAMPLES**

Calculate the exponential of 1, which is Euler's number, e.

```
>> texp(1) ans = 2.7183
```

Calculate the exponential of 0, which is equal to 1.

```
>> texp(0) ans = 1
```

Calculate the exponential of i, which is equal to  $e^i \equiv \cos 1 + i \sin 1$ .

```
>> texp(i)
ans =
0.5403 + 0.8415i
```

Calculate the exponential of  $E_T$  of the size  $3\times 3$ , i.e.  $e^{E_T}=e\cdot E_T$ , which generalizes Euler's number e.

Calculate the exponential of  $Z_T$  of the size  $3 \times 3$ , i.e.  $e^{Z_T} = E_T$ , which generalizes the canonical scalar 1.

```
>> texp(Z_T(3))
```

Calculate the exponential of a random t-scalar of the size  $2 \times 3$ .

**Remark 2.9** (Expotential of a t-scalar). For all  $X_T \in C$ , the expotential of  $X_T$  is a t-scalar given by the following series

$$e^{X_T} \doteq \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{X_T^{(k-1)}}{k-1} = E_T + X_T + \frac{X_T^2}{2} + \frac{X_T^3}{6} + \frac{X_T^4}{24} + \dots \in C$$
 (2.11)

For all  $X_T \in C$ , let  $F(X_T) = \tilde{X}_T$  and  $F(e^{X_T}) = \tilde{Y}_T$ . By the semisimplicity of C introduced in [LM20a], the following equality holds in the following domain

$$e^{\alpha} = \beta \in \mathbb{C} \tag{2.12}$$

where  $\alpha \doteq (\tilde{X}_T)_{m_1,m_2} \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\beta \doteq (\tilde{Y}_T)_{m_1,m_2}$  for all  $m_1, m_2$ .

2.14. NATURAL LOGARITHM OF A T-SCALAR: tlog. Function tlog generalizes the natural logarithm of a canonical scalar and is the inverse function of function texp.

Function tlog is the MATLAB implementation of the map  $\ln : X_T \mapsto \ln X_T \in C$ .

The following equalities hold

$$\ln X_T = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{2}{2k-1} \left( \frac{X_T - E_T}{X_T + E_T} \right)^{2k-1}, \ \forall X_T \in S^{nonneg}$$

$$\ln X_T = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{(X_T - E_T)^k}{k}, \ \forall X_T \text{ satisfying } |X_T - E_T| \le E_T.$$
(2.13)

whehre  $|\cdot| \in S^{nonneg}$  denotes the norm of a t-scalar.

#### **SYNTAX**

log\_result = tlog(tscalar)

#### DESCRIPTION

Input tscalar and output log\_result are also numeric arrays of the same size.

#### **EXAMPLES**

Calculate the natural logarithm of 1, which is equal to 0.

```
>> tlog(1)
ans =
0
```

Calculate the natural logarithm of e, which is equal to 1.

```
>> tlog(exp(1))
ans =
1
```

Compute the natural logarithm of the  $3 \times 3$  identity t-scalar  $E_T$ , which is the  $3 \times 3$  zero t-scalar  $Z_T$ .

Function tlog is the inverse function of texp.

2.15. ABSOLUTE VALUE OF A T-SCALAR: tabs\_tscalar. Function tabs\_tscalar returns the abosolute value of a t-scalar and is an efficient implementation of function tnorm\_angle retuning only the first output.

# SYNTAX

```
Y = tabs_tscalar(X)
```

# DESCRIPTION

Function tabs\_tscalar returns the norm (i.e., generalized absolute value, a non-negative t-scalar) of a t-scalar. It generalizes the absolute value of a complex number.

#### **EXAMPLES**

Compute the absolute value of 3 + 4i, which is equal to 5.

```
>> tabs_tscalar(3 + 4*i)
ans =
5
```

Compute the absolute value of 1 + i, which is equal to  $\sqrt{2}$ .

```
>> tabs_tscalar(1 + i)
ans =
     1.4142
```

Compute the absolute value of  $3 \cdot E_T + 4i \cdot E_T$ , which is equal to  $5 \cdot E_T$ .

Compute the absolute value of  $(1+i) \cdot E_T$ , which is equal to  $\sqrt{2} \cdot E_T$ .

Compute the absolute value of a random t-scalar, which is a nonnegative t-scalar.

```
4.4986 + 0.0000i
                  0.3981 + 0.7577i 0.3981 - 0.7577i
 -0.1722 + 0.3195i
                  0.2519 + 0.3154i
                                  1.3705 + 0.3892i
                  -0.1722 - 0.3195i
>> fftn(Y)
ans =
   8.1951
           3.3182
                    0.9491
   5.6186
           8.0814
                    1.9729
   2.0707
           4.8391
                    5.4425
```

2.16. ANGLE OF A T-SCALAR: tangle\_tscalar. Function tabs\_tscalar returns the abosolute value of a t-scalar and is an efficient implementation of function tnorm\_angle retuning only the second output.

# **SYNTAX**

```
tangle = tangle_tscalar(tscalar)
```

#### DESCRIPTION

Input tscalar and outputs tangleare also numeric arrays of the same size. Function tangle\_tscalar returns a nonnegative t-scalar which generalizes the phrase angle of a complex number.

**EXAMPLES** Compute the phrase angle of complex number 1+i, which is equal to  $\frac{pi}{4}$ .

```
>> tangle_tscalar(1 + i)
ans =
     0.7854
```

The phrase angle of the t-scalar  $(1+i) \cdot E_T$  is equal to  $\frac{\pi}{4} \cdot E_T$ .

Compate the phrase angle of a random t-scalar in C, which is a self-conjuate in  $C^{cs}$ .

```
>> X = randn_tscalar(3)

X =

0.3252 - 0.0301i -1.7115 + 1.0933i 0.3192 + 0.0774i

-0.7549 - 0.1649i -0.1022 + 1.1093i 0.3129 - 1.2141i

1.3703 + 0.6277i -0.2414 - 0.8637i -0.8649 - 1.1135i
```

2.17. WHETHER INPUT IS A SELF-CONJUGATE: is\_self\_conjugate. This function determines whether input is a self-conjugate t-scalar.

# **SYNTAX**

```
bool_result = is_self_conjugate(tscalar)
```

# DESCRIPTION

Input tscalar is a numeric array and output bool\_result is boolean, and true if tscalar is self-conjugate, otherwsie, false.

# **EXAMPLES**

The number 1 is self-conjugate.

```
>> is_self_conjugate(1)
ans =
  logical
  1
```

Any real number is self-conjugate.

```
>> is_self_conjugate(0.5)
ans =
  logical
  1
>> is_self_conjugate(pi)
ans =
  logical
  1
```

Any element in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$  is not self-conjugate

```
>> is_self_conjugate(i)
ans =
  logical
   0
>> is_self_conjugate(1 + i)
ans =
  logical
   0
 A random t-scalar is not self-conjugate.
>> is_self_conjugate(randn_tscalar(3))
ans =
  logical
   0
 The real part of a random t-scalar is self-conjugate.
>> is_self_conjugate(treal_part_tscalar(randn_tscalar(3)) )
ans =
  logical
   1
 The imaginary part of a random t-scalar is self-conjugate.
>> is_self_conjugate(timg_part_tscalar(randn_tscalar(3)) )
ans =
  logical
   1
 The absolute value of a random t-scalar is self-conjugate.
>> is_self_conjugate(tabs_tscalar(randn_tscalar(3)) )
ans =
  logical
   1
```

2.18. WHETHER INPUT IS A NONNEGATIVE: is\_nonnegative. This function determines whether input is a nonnegative t-scalar.

# SYNTAX

```
bool_result = is_nonnegative(tscalar)
```

# DESCRIPTION

The input tscalar is a numeric array and the output bool\_result is boolean, and true if tscalar is a nonnegative t-scalar, otherwsie, false.

```
>> is_nonnegative(1)
ans =
  logical
   1
>> is_nonnegative(0)
ans =
  logical
   1
>> is_nonnegative(-1)
ans =
  logical
>> is_nonnegative(E_T([2, 3, 4]))
ans =
  logical
   1
>> is_nonnegative(Z_T([3, 5, 7, 9]))
ans =
  logical
   1
 The t-scalar X_T = -1 \cdot E_T is not nonnegative, but self-conjugate
>> is_nonnegative(-1 * E_T([5, 11, 23]))
ans =
  logical
   0
>> is_self_conjugate(-1 * E_T([5, 11, 23]))
ans =
  logical
   1
 The absolute value of any t-scalar is nonnegative.
>> is_nonnegative(tabs_tscalar(randn_tscalar([3, 4, 5, 9]))
```

```
ans =
  logical
  1
```

2.19. Infinum of A set of two Self-conjugate T-scalars: tinf. This function returns the infinum of a set of two self-conjugate t-scalars.

#### **SYNTAX**

```
infimum_tscalar = tinf(tscalar1, tscalar2)
```

#### DESCRIPTION

Inputs tscalar1 and tscalar2 and output infimum\_tscalar are numeric arrays of the same size. Function tinf generalizes  $\min(\alpha, \beta)$  of two real numbers  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

# **EXAMPLES**

The infimum of  $\{-1,3\}$  is -1.

The infimum of  $\{Z_T, E_T\}$  is  $Z_T$ .

Compute the infinum of a set of two random self-conjugate t-scalars.

```
>> X = treal_part_tscalar(randn_tscalar(3))
X =
    -0.3523 + 0.0000i    -0.2677 - 0.5828i    -0.2677 + 0.5828i
    1.4030 - 0.9531i    0.6374 + 0.8028i    -0.4042 + 0.4081i
    1.4030 + 0.9531i    -0.4042 - 0.4081i    0.6374 - 0.8028i
>> Y = treal_part_tscalar(randn_tscalar(3))
Y =
    -1.5246 + 0.0000i    -0.4078 + 0.8015i    -0.4078 - 0.8015i
    0.4044 + 0.7344i    0.9958 - 0.0609i    0.1535 + 0.1239i
    0.4044 - 0.7344i    0.1535 - 0.1239i    0.9958 + 0.0609i
```

```
>> tinf(X, Y)
ans =
 -2.4893 + 0.0000i 0.0746 + 0.1859i 0.0746 - 0.1859i
  0.8868 - 0.1011i 1.2877 + 0.6646i -0.6208 + 0.2339i
  0.8868 + 0.1011i - 0.6208 - 0.2339i 1.2877 - 0.6646i
>> fftn(X)
ans =
   2.3847
            2.1624
                       2.8137
  -2.0774
            -6.9840
                      -1.1567
  -2.9705
            1.5397
                       1.1174
>> fftn(Y)
ans =
   0.7672
            -0.3891
                     -2.5254
  -2.5127
            0.5556
                      -0.0140
  -5.2749
                      -4.9756
             0.6478
>> fftn(tinf(X, Y))
ans =
   0.7672 - 0.3891
                    -2.5254
  -2.5127 -6.9840
                      -1.1567
  -5.2749 0.6478
                      -4.9756
```

# 3. Functions for T-matrices

3.1. MULTIIPLICATION OF TWO T-MATRICES: tmultiplication. This function generalizes the canonical multiplication of two complex matrices.

Let C be the set of all  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N$  complex arrays, namely  $C \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$ . For all t-matrices  $A_{TM} \in C^{M_1 \times M} \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N \times M_1 \times M}$ , and  $B_{TM} \in C^{D \times D_2} \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N \times M \times M_2}$ , their t-matrix multiplication  $C_{TM} \doteq A_{TM} \circ B_{TM}$  is an element in  $C^{M_1 \times M_2} \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N \times M_1 \times M_2}$  defined as follows.

**Definition 3.1** (T-matrix multiplication). The  $(m_1, m_2)$ -th t-scalar entry  $(C_{TM})_{m_1, m_2} \in C \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$  of  $C_{TM}$  is given by

$$(C_{TM})_{m_1,m_2} \doteq \sum_{m=1}^{M} (A_{TM})_{m_1,m} \circ (B_{TM})_{m,m_2} , \forall (m_1, m_2) \in [M_1] \times [M_2] .$$
 (3.1)

where  $(A_{TM})_{m_1,m} \circ (A_{TM})_{m,m_2}$  denotes the t-scalar product (i.e., N-way circular convolution) of two  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N$  complex arrays (see Defintion 2.1).

#### **SYNTAX**

```
tmatrix_result = tmultiplication(tmatrix1, tmatrix2, tsize)
```

#### DESCRIPTION

Inputs tmatrix1 and tmatrix2 are numeric arrays, and input tsize is a row array of positive integers, representing the size  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N$ . Output tmatrix\_result is a numeric array.

This function generalizes the multiplication of two complex matrices.

# **EXAMPLES**

Compute the multiplication of two (canonical) complex matrices A and B, where A is a  $5 \times 3$  complex matrix and B is a  $3 \times 2$  complex matrix.

```
>> A = randn(5, 3) + i * randn(5, 3)
A =
 -2.9443 + 1.1093i -1.7115 - 0.0068i -0.8649 + 1.1174i
  1.4384 - 0.8637i -0.1022 + 1.5326i -0.0301 - 1.0891i
  0.3252 + 0.0774i - 0.2414 - 0.7697i - 0.1649 + 0.0326i
 -0.7549 - 1.2141i   0.3192 + 0.3714i   0.6277 + 0.5525i
>> B = randn(3, 2) + i * randn(3, 2)
B =
  1.1006 + 2.3505i -1.4916 - 0.1924i
  1.5442 - 0.6156i - 0.7423 + 0.8886i
  0.0859 + 0.7481i - 1.0616 - 0.7648i
>> A * B
ans =
 -1.8344 - 3.0478i 0.8854 + 0.5695i
 -9.4052 - 5.2075i
                   7.6544 - 3.1285i
  5.2108 + 4.7439i - 4.3987 + 0.9620i
 -0.7091 - 0.3109i 0.5929 + 0.2704i
  >> squeeze(tmultiplication(reshape(A, [1, 5, 3]), ...
reshape (B, [1, 3, 2]), 1)
ans =
 -1.8344 - 3.0478i 0.8854 + 0.5695i
 -9.4052 - 5.2075i 7.6544 - 3.1285i
  5.2108 + 4.7439i - 4.3987 + 0.9620i
```

Compute t-matrix multiplication when A is a  $3\times3\times5\times7$  real array, B is a  $3\times3\times7\times11$  real array, and tsize is equal to [3, 3]. The result t-matrix C is a  $3\times3\times5\times11$  real array.

```
\Rightarrow A = randn([3, 3, 5, 7]); B = randn([3, 3, 7, 11]); ...
C = tmultiplication(A, B, [3, 3]); whos;
                                                  Attributes
  Name
            Size
                                 Bytes
                                       Class
 Α
            3x3x5x7
                                  2520 double
                                  5544
  В
            3x3x7x11
                                        double
            3x3x5x11
  C
                                  3960 double
>> tsize = [5, 7]; ...
row_num1 = 11; col_num1 = 13; row_num2 = 13; col_num2 = 17; ...
A = randn([tsize, row_num1, col_num1]) + ...
   i * randn([tsize, row_num1, col_num1]); ....
B = randn([tsize, row_num2, col_num2]) + ...
   i * randn([tsize, row_num2, col_num2]); ...
C = tmultiplication(A, B, tsize); ...
whos A; whos B; whos C;
            Size
                                  Bytes
                                         Class
                                                    Attributes
  Name
            5x7x11x13
                                  80080
  А
                                         double
                                                   complex
                                                     Attributes
  Name
            Size
                                   Bytes Class
            5x7x13x17
                                  123760 double
                                                     complex
  Name
            Size
                                   Bytes Class
                                                     Attributes
            5x7x11x17
  С
                                  104720
                                          double
                                                     complex
```

3.2. RANK OF A T-MATRIX: trank. This function computes the rank, a nonegative t-scalar, of a t-matrix and generalizes the rank of complex matrix.

# SYNTAX

```
generalized_rank = trank(tmatrix, tsize)
```

# DESCRIPTION

Input tmatrix is a numeric array. input tsize is a row array of positive integers, representing the size  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N$ .

Output generalized\_rank is a  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N$  numerical array, namely, a nonnegative t-scalar.

#### **EXAMPLES**

Compute the rank of a random  $3 \times 3$  t-scalar.

Compute the rank of a random rank-deficient t-scalar.

```
>> B = randn(3) + i * randn(3); B(3) = 0; B = ifftn(B)
B =
 -0.0164 + 0.1007i
  0.1309 - 0.8840i
                  0.2987 - 0.1716i
                                   0.0873 + 0.1710i
  0.1853 + 0.5892i - 0.1343 - 0.2487i
                                    0.4068 - 0.5628i
>> trank(B, [3, 3])
ans =
  0.8889 + 0.0000i -0.1111 + 0.0000i -0.1111 + 0.0000i
  0.0556 + 0.0962i
                   0.0556 + 0.0962i 0.0556 + 0.0962i
  0.0556 - 0.0962i 0.0556 - 0.0962i 0.0556 - 0.0962i
>> fftn(trank(B, [3, 3]))
ans =
   1.0000
            1.0000
                     1.0000
   1.0000
            1.0000
                      1.0000
                     1.0000
        0
            1.0000
```

Compute the rank a random  $2 \times 5$  t-matrix with  $3 \times 3$  t-scalar entries. The maximum rank a  $2 \times 5$  t-matrix is  $2 \cdot E_T$ .

```
>> A = randn(3, 3, 2, 5) + i * randn(3, 3, 2, 5);

>> trank(A, [3, 3])

ans =

2  0  0

0  0  0
```

Compute the rank a random  $2 \times 5$  t-matrix with  $3 \times 3$  t-scalar entries and the first row t-vectors are set to zero.

3.3. IDENTITY T-MATRIX: teye. This function returns the identity t-matrix of a given size.

SYNTAX t\_identity\_matrix = teye(row\_col\_num, tsize)

#### DESCRIPTION

Input row\_col\_num is a nonnegative t-scalar. Input tsize is row array of positive integers, representing  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N$ . Output t\_identity\_matrix is a numeric array, a diagonal t-matrix. This function generalizes the identity matrix.

# **EXAMPLES**

Compute the  $2 \times 2$  identity t-matrix, whose t-scalar entries are  $3 \times 3$  numerical arrays.

$$A(:,:,2,2) = 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \end{pmatrix}$$

3.4. Conjugate transpose a t-matrix and generalizes the conjugate transpose of a t-matrix and generalizes the conjugate transpose of a complex matrix.

# SYNTAX

tmatrix\_result = tctranspose(tmatrix, tsize)

# DESCRIPTION

Input tmatrix is a  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N \times M_1 \times M_2$  numeric array, and input tsize is row array of positive integers, representing  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N$ .

Output tmatrix\_result is a  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N \times M_2 \times M_1$  numeric array.

Given a  $M_1 \times M_2$  t-matrix  $A_{TM} \in C^{M_1 \times M_2} \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N \times M_1 \times M_2}$ , function tetranspose returns a  $M_2 \times M_1$  t-matrix  $A_{TM}^* \in C^{M_1 \times M_2} \equiv \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times M_2 \times M_1}$  such that the following condition holds

$$(A_{TM})_{m_1,m_2}^* = (A_{TM}^*)_{m_2,m_1} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \dots \times I_N}, \ \forall (m_1, m_2) \in [M_1] \times [M_2].$$
 (3.2)

# **EXAMPLES**

Compute the conjugate transpose of a  $5\times 7$  t-matrix, whose t-sclalar entries are  $3\times 3$  arrays.

```
>> A = randn(3, 3, 5, 7) + i * randn(3, 3, 5, 7); ...
B = tctranspose(A, [3, 3]);
>> whos
 Name
           Size
                              Bytes Class
                                               Attributes
 Α
           3x3x5x7
                               5040 double
                                               complex
                                             complex
                               5040 double
 В
           3x3x7x5
>> norm(A(:, :, 1, 3) - tconj_tscalar(B(:, :, 3, 1)), 'F')
ans =
  1.1233e-15
```

# 4. To Be Continued

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