

vv214: Cayley-Hamilton Theorem. Adjoint, self-adjoint, normal operators. Symmetric matrices. Orthogonal diagonalization.

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1. Cayley-Hamilton Theorem and its applications.
2. Orthogonally diagonalizable matrices.
3. Adjoint, self-adjoint, normal operators.

## Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: Intro

1. Let  $g(t) = a_0 + a_1t + \dots + a_k t^k$  and  $D = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n)$

$$\Rightarrow g(D) = \text{diag}(g(d_1), \dots, g(d_n))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } f_D(\lambda) \text{ be a char poly} &\Rightarrow f_D(D) = \begin{pmatrix} f_D(d_1) & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & f_D(d_n) \end{pmatrix} = \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \prod_{i=1}^n (d_1 - d_i) & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \prod_{i=1}^n (d_n - d_i) \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{0}_{\text{zero matrix}} \end{aligned}$$

$f_D(D) = 0$

## Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: Intro

2. Let  $A$  be similar to  $D \Rightarrow D = S^{-1}AS$  ( $A$  is diagonalizable)

$$g(D) = a_0 I_n + a_1 D + \dots + a_k D^k =$$

$$= a_0 S^{-1} S + a_1 S^{-1} A S + \dots + a_k S^{-1} A^k S = S^{-1} (a_0 I_n + a_1 A + \dots + A^k) S$$

$$\Rightarrow g(D) = S^{-1} g(A) S \Rightarrow g(D) \sim g(A)$$

$$A \sim D \Rightarrow f_A(\lambda) = f_D(\lambda) \Rightarrow f_A(D) = f_D(D) = 0$$

$$f_A(A) = S \underbrace{f_A(D)}_0 S^{-1} = 0$$

$f_A(A) = 0$

## Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: Intro

1. Is  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  diagonalizable?

If  $D = S^{-1}AS$  then  $f_A(\lambda) = (\lambda - 1)^2 = f_D(\lambda) \Rightarrow D = I_2$

$$A = SDS^{-1} = SIS^{-1} = I \Rightarrow \text{contradiction}$$

2. Find a sequence of diagonalizable matrices that converges to  $A$ .

$$\{B_m\}, B_m = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 + \frac{1}{m} \end{pmatrix}$$

$B_m$  has distinct eigenvalues and hence, diagonalizable

$$\Rightarrow f_{B_m}(B_m) = 0$$

$B_m \rightarrow A \Rightarrow f_{B_m} \rightarrow f_A$  and determinant is a continuous function

$$f_A(A) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} f_{B_m}(B_m) = 0$$

## Cayley-Hamilton Theorem

**Theorem:** Any  $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{K})$  satisfies its own characteristic equation, i.e.

$$f_A(A) = (-A)^n + (\operatorname{tr} A)(-A)^{n-1} + \dots + (\det A)I_n = 0$$

**Examples:**

1.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow f_A(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 5 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = 2 \pm i$

$$f_A(A) = A^2 - 4A + 5I = 0 \Rightarrow A^2 = 4A - 5I$$

$$A^3 = A^2 A = (4A - 5I)A = 4A^2 - 5A = 4(4A - 5I) - 5A = 11A - 20I \quad \text{etc.}$$

2. If  $A$  is orthogonal with  $\det A = 1$  and  $\lambda_1 = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$ , then  $\lambda_2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$  and  $\lambda_3 = 1$ .

$$f_A(\lambda) = (-\lambda)^3 + (-1 + 1)(-\lambda)^2 + \det A \Rightarrow -A^3 + I = 0 \Rightarrow A^3 = I$$

$$A^{214} = (A^3)^{71} A = I^{71} A = A$$

# Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: Order Reduction

## 3. Order Reduction

Represent  $g(t) = h(t)f_A(t) + r(t) \Rightarrow g(\lambda) = r(\lambda)$

$$g(A) = h(A)f_A(A) + r(A) \Rightarrow g(A) = r(A)$$

Let  $g(A) = A^5 + 2A^4 - A^3 + A^2 - 2A + I$  with  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$f_A(\lambda) = \lambda^2 + 5\lambda + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow g(\lambda) = (\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 + 8\lambda - 21)(\lambda^2 + 5\lambda + 6) + \underbrace{65\lambda + 127}_{r(\lambda)}$$

$$g(A) = 65A + 127I$$

# Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: Analytic Functions of a Matrix

4. Let a complex-valued function  $g(t)$  be **analytic** in some region

of the complex plane  $\Rightarrow g(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k t^k$

$$g(t) = h(t)f_A(t) + r(t) \Rightarrow g(\lambda_i) = r(\lambda_i) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} b_k \lambda_i^k$$

$$g(A) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} b_k A^k$$



## Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: Analytic Functions of a Matrix

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, f_A(\lambda) = \lambda^2 + 5\lambda + 6 \Rightarrow r(t) = b_0 + b_1 t$$

$$\text{Let } g(t) = \sin t \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \sin(\lambda_1) &= b_0 + b_1 \lambda_1 \\ \sin(\lambda_2) &= b_0 + b_1 \lambda_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} b_0 &= 3 \sin(-2) - 2 \sin(-3) \\ b_1 &= \sin(-2) - \sin(-3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sin A = g(A) = r(A) = b_0 I + b_1 A$$

$$\sin A = (3 \sin(-2) - 2 \sin(-3))I + (\sin(-2) - \sin(-3))A$$

$$\sin \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin(-3) & \sin(-2) - \sin(-3) \\ 0 & \sin(-2) \end{pmatrix}$$

# Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: Analytic Functions of a Matrix

## 4. Matrix Exponential

$$g(t) = e^{tx} \Rightarrow e^{Ax} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} b_k A^k, \quad e^{\lambda_i x} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} b_k \lambda_i^k$$

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad f_A(\lambda) = \lambda^2 + 5\lambda + 6 \Rightarrow r(t) = b_0 + b_1 t$$

$$e^{-2x} = b_0 - 2b_1, \quad e^{-3x} = b_0 - 3b_1$$

$$b_0 = 3e^{-2x} - 2e^{-3x}$$

$$b_1 = e^{-2x} - e^{-3x}$$

$$e^{Ax} = (3e^{-2x} - 2e^{-3x})I + (e^{-2x} - e^{-3x})A$$

$$\exp \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} x = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-3x} & e^{-2x} - e^{-3x} \\ 0 & e^{-2x} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: Minimal Polynomial

**Definition:** The smallest degree polynomial  $m_A(t) \neq 0$  such that  $m_A(A) = 0$  is called the **minimal polynomial** of  $A$ .

The minimal polynomial of

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & 2 & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & 1 & \\ & & & & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

is  $m_D(t) = (t - 1)(t - 2)$ .

Is the polynomial  $t - 1$  minimal for  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ? no!

Cayley-Hamilton Theorem  $\Rightarrow \forall A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{K}) \quad m_A | f_A$

$$\Rightarrow m_A(t) = (t - 1)^2$$

**Remark:** Let  $g(t)$  be a polynomial with coefficients from  $\mathbb{K}$ .  $g$  has multiple roots iff  $\gcd(g, g')$  is not a constant.

# Orthogonally Diagonalizable Matrices

1. **Question:** What are the conditions on a square matrix to guarantee that it is diagonalizable?

**Answer:** The existence of an eigenbasis.

2. **Question:** For which matrices is there an orthonormal eigenbasis?

**Answer:** For which matrices is there an orthogonal matrix  $S$  such that  $S^{-1}AS = S^TAS$  is diagonal?

**Definition:** A matrix  $A$  is **orthogonally diagonalizable** if there exists an orthogonal matrix  $S$  such that

$$S^{-1}AS = S^TAS$$

is diagonal.

## Example 1

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad A \text{ is symmetric}$$

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0 \Rightarrow (4 - \lambda)(7 - \lambda) - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow \underbrace{\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 8}_{2 \text{ different eigenvalues}}$$

$A$  is diagonalizable

$$\bar{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \bar{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \bar{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2/\sqrt{5} \\ -1/\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix}, \bar{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{5} \\ 2/\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2$  is the orthonormal basis

$$S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{is orthogonal and} \quad D = S^{-1}AS = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$A$  is orthogonally diagonalizable

## Example 2

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad |A - \lambda I| = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2(3 - \lambda) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = 0, \lambda_3 = 3$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} = 0: \bar{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \bar{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \lambda_3 = 3: \bar{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \bar{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \bar{u}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 2 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix}, D = S^{-1}AS = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

A is orthogonally diagonalizable

## Useful Statements

**Lemma 1:** If  $A$  is orthogonally diagonalizable, then  $A^T = A$ .

**Lemma 2:** Let  $A^T = A$ . If  $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2$  are eigenvectors of  $A$  with distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ , then  $\bar{v}_1 \perp \bar{v}_2$ .

**Lemma 3:** A *symmetric* matrix  $A_{n \times n}$  has  $n$  *real* eigenvalues counted with their algebraic multiplicities.

**Theorem (Spectral Theorem):** A matrix  $A$  is orthogonally diagonalizable iff  $A$  is symmetric ( $A^T = A$ ).

## Rietz Representation Theorem

*Let  $\dim X < +\infty$  and  $\varphi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  be a linear functional:*

*$\varphi \in L(X, \mathbb{K}) = X'$ .*

*There is a unique vector  $y \in X$  such that*

$$\varphi(x) = (x, y) \quad \forall x \in X$$



# Adjoint Operators

**Definition:** Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be linear, i.e.  $T \in L(V, W)$ .

The **adjoint** of  $T$  is the operator  $T^*: W \rightarrow V$  such that

$$(Tv, w) = (v, T^*w) \quad \forall v \in V \forall w \in W$$

**Remark:** The adjoint  $T^*$  is well defined:

1. Fix  $w \in W$ . Define a map  $V \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  such that  $v \rightarrow (Tv, w)$
2. The map  $v \rightarrow (Tv, w)$  is linear  $\Rightarrow$  it is a linear functional.
3. By the Riesz Representation Theorem, there exists a unique element  $b \in V: (Tv, w) = (v, b)$
4. Denote  $b = T^*w$ . Since  $b$  exists, so  $T^*w$  exists as well.
5. Therefore, there exists a map  $w \rightarrow T^*w$ .

**Example:** Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_2 + 3x_3, 2x_1)$$

$$(T\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = ((x_2 + 3x_3, 2x_1), (y_1, y_2)) = x_2y_1 + 3x_3y_1 + 2x_1y_2$$

$$= ((x_1, x_2, x_3), (2y_2, y_1, 3y_1)) \Rightarrow T^*\bar{y} = (2y_2, y_1, 3y_1)$$

# Properties of Adjoint Operators

1.  $T \in L(V, W) \Rightarrow T^* \in L(W, V)$

$$(v, T^*(w_1 + w_2)) = (Tv, w_1 + w_2) = (Tv, w_1) + (Tv, w_2)$$

$$= (v, T^*w_1) + (v, T^*w_2) = (v, T^*w_1 + T^*w_2)$$

$$(v, T^*(\lambda w)) = (Tv, \lambda w) = \bar{\lambda}(Tv, w) = \bar{\lambda}(v, T^*w) = (v, \lambda T^*w)$$

2.  $(T_1 + T_2)^* = T_1^* + T_2^* \quad \forall T_1, T_2 \in L(V, W)$

3.  $(\lambda T)^* = \bar{\lambda} T^* \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{K} \forall T \in L(V, W)$

4.  $(T^*)^* = T \quad \forall T \in L(V, W)$

$$(w, (T^*)^*v) = (T^*w, v) = \overline{(v, T^*w)} = \overline{(Tv, w)} = (w, Tv) \quad \forall v \in V$$

5.  $I^* = I$

6.  $(T_1 T_2)^* = T_2^* T_1^* \quad \forall T_1 \in L(W, U), T_2 \in L(V, W)$

# Properties of Adjoint Operators

7.  $\text{Ker } T^* = (\text{Im } T)^\perp$

$$w \in \text{Ker } T^* \Leftrightarrow T^*w = 0 \Leftrightarrow (v, T^*w) = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (Tv, w) = 0 \quad \forall v \in V \Leftrightarrow w \in (\text{Im } T)^\perp$$

8. The matrix of the adjoint  $T^*$  w.r.t orthonormal bases  $e_1, \dots, e_m \in V$ ;  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in W$  is the conjugate transpose of the matrix of  $T$ .

$$A_T = (Te_1 \ Te_2 \ \dots \ Te_m) \quad Te_k \in W, \ f_1, \dots, f_n \text{ is orthonormal}$$

$$\Rightarrow Te_k = (Te_k, f_1)f_1 + \dots + (Te_k, f_n)f_n \Rightarrow (A_T)_{jk} = (Te_k, f_j)$$

$$A_{T^*} = (T^*f_1 \ T^*f_2 \ \dots \ T^*f_m) \quad T^*f_k \in V, \ e_1, \dots, e_m \text{ is orthonormal}$$

$$\Rightarrow T^*f_k = (T^*f_k, e_1)e_1 + \dots + (T^*f_k, e_m)e_m$$

$$\Rightarrow (A_{T^*})_{jk} = (T^*f_k, e_j) = \overline{(e_j, T^*f_k)} = \overline{(Te_j, f_k)}$$

# Self-Adjoint Operators

**Definition:** The operator  $T \in L(V, V)$  is called **self-adjoint** if  $T^* = T$ :

$$(Tv, w) = (v, Tw) \quad \forall v, w \in V$$

Hermitian= self-adjoint

## Remarks:

1. Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be defined by the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow T$  is self-adjoint iff  $a = 2$ , that is, its matrix is symmetric.
2. Every eigenvalue of a self-adjoint operator is real.

$$\lambda \|v\|^2 = (\lambda v, v) = (Tv, v) = (v, Tv) = (v, \lambda v) = \bar{\lambda} (v, v) = \bar{\lambda} \|v\|^2$$

3.  $T$  is self-adjoint iff  $(Tv, v) \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall v \in V$

$$\begin{aligned} (Tv, v) - \overline{(Tv, v)} &= (Tv, v) - (v, Tv) = (Tv, v) - (T^*v, v) \\ &= ((T - T^*)v, v) \end{aligned}$$

## Normal Operators

**Definition:** An operator on an inner product space is called **normal** if it commutes with its adjoint, i.e.  $TT^* = T^*T$ .

**Remarks:**

1. Every self-adjoint operator is normal.
2.  $T$  is normal iff  $\|Tv\| = \|T^*v\| \forall v$

$$\begin{aligned} T \text{ is normal} &\Leftrightarrow T^*T - TT^* = 0 \Leftrightarrow ((T^*T - TT^*)v, v) = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (T^*Tv, v) = (TT^*v, v) \Leftrightarrow \|Tv\|^2 = \|T^*v\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

3. Let  $Tv = \lambda v$ .  $T$  is normal  $\Leftrightarrow T - \lambda I$  is also normal.
4. Let  $Tv = \lambda v$ . Then  $T^*v = \bar{\lambda}v$

$$0 = \|(T - \lambda I)v\| = \|(T - \lambda I)^*v\| = \|(T^* - \bar{\lambda}I)v\| \Rightarrow T^*v = \bar{\lambda}v$$

5. Suppose  $T \in L(V, V)$  is normal. Then eigenvectors of  $T$  corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal.

$$Tu = \alpha u, Tv = \beta v \Rightarrow T^*v = \bar{\beta}v$$

$$(\alpha - \beta)(u, v) = \alpha(u, v) - \beta(u, v) = (Tu, v) - (u, T^*v) = 0$$

# Complex Spectral Theorem

Let  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$  and  $T \in L(V, V)$ . Then the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $T$  is normal.
- (b)  $V$  has an orthonormal basis consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ .
- (c)  $T$  has a diagonal matrix with respect to some orthonormal basis of  $V$ .