

**Course: Machine Learning - Foundations**  
**Week 5: Test questions**

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1. (1 point) Consider two non-zero vectors  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and  $y \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . Suppose the inner product between  $x$  and  $y$  obeys commutative property (i.e.,  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x$ ), it implies that
- A.  $y$  must be a conjugate transpose of  $x$
  - B.  $y$  is equal to  $x$
  - C.  $y$  must be orthogonal to  $x$
  - D.  $y$  must be a scalar (possibly complex) multiple of  $x$

**Answer: C**

For orthogonal vectors dot product is zero.

2. (1 point) The inner product of two distinct vectors  $x$  and  $y$  that are drawn randomly from  $\mathbb{C}^{100}$  is  $0.8 - 0.37i$ . The vector  $x$  is scaled by a scalar  $1 - 2i$  to obtain a new vector  $z$ , then the inner product between  $z$  and  $y$  is
- A.  $0.06 - 1.97i$
  - B.  $1.54 - 1.23i$
  - C.  $1.54 + 1.23i$
  - D.  $0.8 - 0.37i$
  - E. Not possible to calculate

**Answer: C**

$$x \cdot y = \bar{x}^T y$$

$$z = cx$$

$$z \cdot y = \bar{c} \bar{x}^T y$$

$$z \cdot y = \bar{c} x \cdot y = 1.54 + 1.23i$$

3. (1 point) Select the correct statement(s). The Eigen-value decomposition for the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- A. doesn't exist over  $\mathbb{R}$  but exists over  $\mathbb{C}$
  - B. doesn't exist over  $\mathbb{C}$  but exists over  $\mathbb{R}$
  - C. neither exists over  $\mathbb{R}$  nor exists over  $\mathbb{C}$
  - D. exists over both  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$

**Answer: A**

Eigenvalues of A are complex.

4. (1 point) Consider the complex matrix  $S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i & -2-2i \\ 1-i & 1 & -i \\ -2+2i & i & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . The matrix is
- A. Hermitian and Symmetric
  - B. Symmetric but not Hermitian
  - C. Neither Hermitian nor Symmetric
  - D. Hermitian but not Symmetric

**Answer:** D

$$S^T \neq S$$

$$S^* = S$$

5. (1 point) Suppose that an unitary matrix  $U$  is multiplied by a diagonal matrix  $D$  with  $d_{ii} \in \mathbb{R}$ , then the resultant matrix will always be unitary. The statement is
- A. True
  - B. False

**Answer:** A

Let  $A = UD$

Where, U=unitary matrix

D=Diagonal matrix

$$A^* = (UD)^*$$

$$AA^* = (UD)(UD)^*$$

$$AA^* = (UDD^*U^*)$$

6. (3 points) The eigenvectors of matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2-i & -3i \\ 2+i & 0 & 1-i \\ 3i & 1+i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  are

A.  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1+2i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1-21i \\ 6-9i \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1+3i \\ -2-i \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$

B.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1-2i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1-21i \\ 6-9i \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1+3i \\ -2-i \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$

C.  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1-2i \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1-21i \\ 6-9i \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1+3i \\ -2-i \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$

D.  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1+2i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1-21i \\ 6-9i \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1-3i \\ 2-i \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$

**Answer: A**

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0$$

$$\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 - 16\lambda - 12 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -1, -2, 6$$

For  $\lambda = -1$ 

$$\text{Eigenvector, } v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 + 2i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $\lambda = -2$ 

$$\text{Eigenvector, } v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 21i \\ 6 - 9i \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $\lambda = 6$ 

$$\text{Eigenvector, } v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 3i \\ -2 - i \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

7. (1 point) A matrix  $A = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} k+i & \sqrt{2} \\ k-i & \sqrt{2}i \end{bmatrix}$  is unitary if k is

A.  $\frac{1}{2}$

B. 1

C.  $-\frac{1}{2}$

D. -1

E.  $\pm 1$

F.  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$

**Answer: B**

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} k+i & \sqrt{2} \\ k-i & \sqrt{2}i \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} k-i & k+i \\ \sqrt{2} & -\sqrt{2}i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} k^2+3 & k^2-1+2i(k-1) \\ k^2-1-2i(k-1) & k^2+3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$k = 1$$

8. (3 points) A matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i \\ 1-i & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  can be written as  $A = UDU^*$ , where  $U$  is a unitary matrix and  $D$  is a diagonal matrix. Then,  $U$  and  $D$ , respectively, are

$$\text{A. } U = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} & 1-i \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 1+\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{B. } U = \begin{bmatrix} -1+i & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} & -1-i \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 1+\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{C. } U = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} & 1-i \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} -1+\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{D. } U = \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{-2} & 1-i \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 1+\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Answer:** A

To find eigenvalues,  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 4 = 0$$

$$\lambda = 1 + \sqrt{2}, 1 - \sqrt{2}$$

Find eigenvectors

For  $\lambda = 1 + \sqrt{2}$ ,

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $\lambda = 1 - \sqrt{2}$ ,

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ 1-i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U = [v_1 \ v_2]$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1+\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

9. (2 points) The matrix  $Z = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  has

- A. only real eigenvalues.
- B. two real and two complex eigenvalue.
- C. three real and one complex eigenvalues.
- D. all complex eigenvalues

**Answer:** B

$$\lambda = 1, -1, i, -i$$

10. (1 point) (Multiple select) Which of the following matrices is/are unitary?

A.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$

B.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$

C.  $\begin{bmatrix} -\cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$

D.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$

E.  $\begin{bmatrix} -\cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$

**Answer:** C, D

Check  $UU^* = I$

11. (2 points) Let  $U$  and  $V$  be two unitary matrices. Then

1.  $UV$  is unitary.
  2.  $U + V$  is unitary.
- A. Both statements are true.  
 B. Both statements are false.  
 C. 1. is false.  
 D. 2. is false.

**Answer:** D

Addition of two unitary matrices may not be unitary.

12. (2 points) (Multiple select) Which of the following is/are eigenvectors of the Hermitian

matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i \\ 1-i & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

A.  $\begin{bmatrix} -1-i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

B.  $\begin{bmatrix} -2-2i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

C.  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1+i}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

D.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

E. All of these.

**Answer:** E

To find eigenvalues,  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\lambda^2 - 3\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda = 0, 3$$

For  $\lambda = 0$

Eigenvector,  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

For  $\lambda = 3$

Eigenvector,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$