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## Solutions to Homework #1

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### 1 Gaussian Elimination

Our aim is to solve the system of linear equations  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{y}$ . (General conditions for the existence of a solution are given in **FSP Appendix 2.B.1.**) Comment on whether a solution to each of the following systems of equations exists, and, if it does, find it.

(a)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 20 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 38 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(c)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

### Solution

(a) The steps of Gaussian elimination yield

$$\mathbf{A}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & -10 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y}' = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ -20 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & -10 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ -20 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ -20 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since we have reached an upper-triangular  $A^{(2)}$  with all diagonal entries nonzero, the system has a unique solution. (Any  $y^{(2)}$  belongs to the range of  $A^{(2)}$ .) By back substitution, we solve  $x_2 = 3$ ,  $x_1 = 2$ , and  $x_0 = 1$ .

(b) The steps of Gaussian elimination yield

$$A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y' = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 10 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$A^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 10 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$A^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 10 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since we have reached an upper-triangular  $A^{(2)}$  with a zero on the diagonal, we have either infinitely many solutions or no solutions. It is easy to see that the range of  $A^{(2)}$  is the vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with third component equal to zero, and the vector  $y^{(2)}$  is in that range space. Those solutions are described by  $x_1 = 2$  and  $x_0 + 2x_2 = 7$ .

(c) The steps of Gaussian elimination yield

$$A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$A^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$A^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 18/5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Like in part (b), we have either infinitely many solutions or no solutions. Again, the range of  $A^{(2)}$  is the vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with third component equal to zero, but this time the vector  $y^{(2)}$  is not in that range space. Thus, there are no solutions.

## 2 Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find eigenvalues and unit-norm eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$ . Are the eigenvectors orthogonal? Check your answer with a computer (e.g, Matlab or Python<sup>1</sup>).
- (b) Compute the determinant of  $\mathbf{A}$ , i.e.  $\det \mathbf{A}$ . Is  $\mathbf{A}$  invertible? If it is, give its inverse; if not, say why.
- (c) Find eigenvalues and unit-norm eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{B}$ . For  $\alpha \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  and  $\beta \in [-3, 3]$ , plot the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{B}$  (with a computer). (This will be four pairs of curves that are functions of one variable.)
- (d) Compute the determinant of  $\mathbf{B}$ . When is  $\mathbf{B}$  invertible? For  $(\alpha, \beta) \in [0, 5]^2$ , plot  $\det \mathbf{B}$  (with a computer, using Matlab or Python). (This will be a surface plot of a function of two variables.)

### Solution

- (a) The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - 1 & -2 \\ -2 & \lambda - 1 \end{bmatrix} = (\lambda - 1)^2 - 4 = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda + 1).$$

The eigenvalues of  $A$  are the roots of the characteristic polynomial:  $\lambda_0 = -1$  and  $\lambda_1 = 3$ .

For  $\lambda_0 = -1$ , we solve  $Ax = -x$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 + 2x_1 &= -x_0, \\ 2x_0 + x_1 &= -x_1, \end{aligned}$$

yielding  $x_1 = -x_0$ . We choose  $x_0 = 1$ ,  $x_1 = -1$  and normalize. The eigenvector associated with  $\lambda_0$  is thus  $v_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^T$ .

Similarly, for  $\lambda_1 = 3$ , we solve  $Ax = 3x$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 + 2x_1 &= 3x_0, \\ 2x_0 + x_1 &= 3x_1, \end{aligned}$$

yielding  $x_0 = x_1$ . We choose  $x_0 = x_1 = 1$  and normalize. The eigenvector associated with  $\lambda_1$  is thus  $v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$ .

The eigenvectors are orthogonal.

The following Matlab code verifies these answers:

```
A = [1, 2; 2, 1];

% Calculate eigenvalues (D) and eigenvectors (V):
[V,D] = eig(A);

% Columns of V are the eigenvectors:
v0 = V(:,1)
v1 = V(:,2)

% Inner product of eigenvectors:
inner_product = v0' * v1
```

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<sup>1</sup>For Python, you will need `numpy`.

- (b)  $\det A = A_{1,1}A_{2,2} - A_{1,2}A_{2,1} = -3$ , which is equivalent to the product of the eigenvalues. As the determinant is nonzero,  $A$  is an invertible matrix, and its inverse is:

$$A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 & 2/3 \\ 2/3 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (c) The characteristic polynomial of  $B$  is

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - \alpha & -\beta \\ -\beta & \lambda - \alpha \end{bmatrix} = (\lambda - \alpha)^2 - (-\beta^2) = (\lambda - \alpha - \beta)(\lambda - \alpha + \beta).$$

The eigenvalues of  $A$  are  $\lambda_0 = \alpha - \beta$  and  $\lambda_1 = \alpha + \beta$ .

For  $\lambda_0 = \alpha - \beta$ , we solve  $Ax = (\alpha - \beta)x$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha x_0 + \beta x_1 &= (\alpha - \beta)x_0, \\ \beta x_0 + \alpha x_1 &= (\alpha - \beta)x_1, \end{aligned}$$

yielding  $x_1 = -x_0$ . We choose  $x_0 = 1$ ,  $x_1 = -1$  and normalize. The eigenvector associated with  $\lambda_0$  is thus  $v_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^T$ .

Similarly, for  $\lambda_1 = \alpha + \beta$ , we solve  $Ax = (\alpha + \beta)x$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha x_0 + \beta x_1 &= (\alpha + \beta)x_0, \\ \beta x_0 + \alpha x_1 &= (\alpha + \beta)x_1, \end{aligned}$$

yielding  $x_0 = x_1$ . We choose  $x_0 = x_1 = 1$  and normalize. The eigenvector associated with  $\lambda_1$  is thus  $v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$ .

Using these results we can plot the eigenvalues of  $B$ , as shown in Figure 1. When  $\beta = 0$ , the matrix  $B$  is diagonal and so the eigenvalues simply take on the value of  $\alpha$ , due to the eigenvectors having unit norm. The following Matlab code generates Figure 1:

```
alpha = [0, 1, 2, 3];
beta = -3:3;

for a = alpha, % for each value alpha
    for b = beta, % for each value beta
        % Calculate eigenvalues (using analytical solution we found)
        eigval_1(b+4,a+1) = a-b;
        eigval_2(b+4,a+1) = a+b;
    end
end

figure;
plot( beta, eigval_1(:,1), 'r' )
hold on
plot( beta, eigval_2(:,1), 'r-.' )
plot( beta, eigval_1(:,2), 'b' )
plot( beta, eigval_2(:,2), 'b-.' )
plot( beta, eigval_1(:,3), 'g' )
plot( beta, eigval_2(:,3), 'g-.' )
plot( beta, eigval_1(:,4), 'y' )
plot( beta, eigval_2(:,4), 'y-.' )
title( 'Eigenvalues of B = [\alpha, \beta; \beta, \alpha] for \alpha = {0,1,2,3}' )
xlabel( '\beta' )
ylabel( 'Eigenvalue' )
set( gca, 'FontSize', 14 )
```

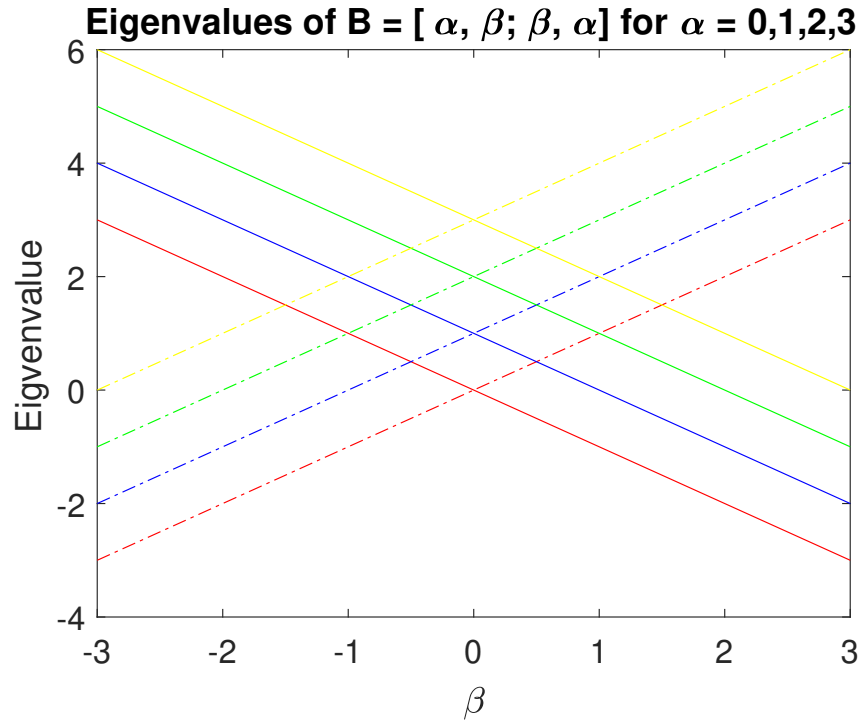


Figure 1: The eigenvalues of  $B$  for  $\alpha \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ .

(d) We again compute the determinant as the product of the eigenvalues:

$$\det B = (\alpha - \beta)(\alpha + \beta).$$

$B$  is not invertible if and only if  $\alpha = \beta$  or  $\alpha = -\beta$ . The inverse is

$$B^{-1} = \frac{1}{(\alpha - \beta)(\alpha + \beta)} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & -\beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix}, \quad \alpha \neq \pm\beta.$$

As a sanity check, when  $\alpha = 1, \beta = 2$ , then  $B = A$  and  $B^{-1} = A^{-1}$ .

Figure 2 shows a surface plot of the determinant of  $B$  for  $(\alpha, \beta) \in [0, 5]^2$ . The following Matlab code generates Figure 2:

```
alpha = linspace( 0, 5, 20 );
beta  = linspace( 0, 5, 20 );

for i = 1:length(alpha),
    for j = 1:length(beta),
        determinant(i,j) = (alpha(i) - beta(j))*(alpha(i) + beta(j));
    end
end

figure;
surf( beta, alpha, determinant );
hold on;
surf( [0, 5], [0, 5], zeros(2,2) );
```

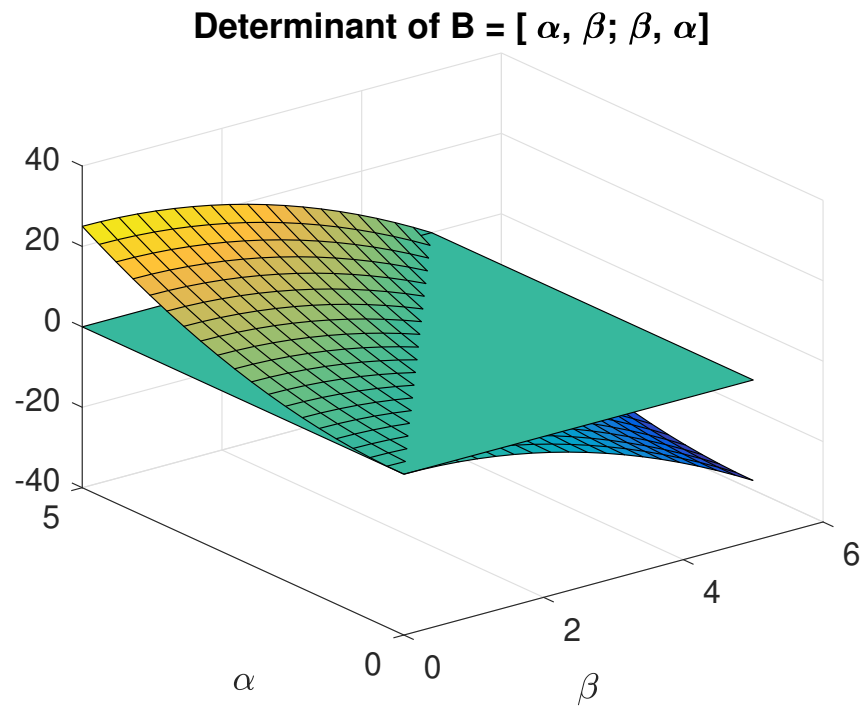


Figure 2: A surface plot of the determinant of  $B$  for  $(\alpha, \beta) \in [0, 5]^2$ . A plane at  $z = 0$  is included in the surface plot to highlight the zero crossing.

```
xlabel( '\beta' );
ylabel( '\alpha' );
set( gca, 'FontSize', 14 );
title( 'Determinant of B = [\alpha, \beta; \beta, \alpha]' );
```

### 3 Multiplication by an orthogonal matrix

Consider the vector space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with standard norm and standard inner product. Prove that

(a) multiplication by an orthogonal matrix  $U$  preserves lengths, that is,

$$\|U\mathbf{x}\| = \|\mathbf{x}\|,$$

for any  $\mathbf{x}$ .

(b) multiplication by an orthogonal matrix  $U$  preserves angles, that is,

$$\langle U\mathbf{x}, U\mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle,$$

for any  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$ .

#### Solution

(a) To prove that multiplication by an orthogonal matrix preserves lengths, we write

$$\|U\mathbf{x}\|^2 = \langle U\mathbf{x}, U\mathbf{x} \rangle = (U\mathbf{x})^T (U\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T U^T U \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2,$$

where (a) follows from  $U^T U = I$ .

(b) To prove that multiplication by an orthogonal matrix preserves angles, we write

$$\langle U\mathbf{x}, U\mathbf{y} \rangle = (U\mathbf{x})^T (U\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{x}^T U^T U \mathbf{y} \stackrel{(a)}{=} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle,$$

where again (a) follows from  $U^T U = I$ .

## 4 Bases and frames of $\mathbb{R}^2$

Given the following sets of vectors:

$$\Phi_1 = \{\varphi_{1,0}, \varphi_{1,1}\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (1)$$

$$\Phi_2 = \{\varphi_{2,0}, \varphi_{2,1}, \varphi_{2,2}, \varphi_{2,3}\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (2)$$

$$\Phi_3 = \{\varphi_{3,0}, \varphi_{3,1}\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (3)$$

$$\Phi_4 = \{\varphi_{4,0}, \varphi_{4,1}\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (4)$$

For each of the sets of vectors,  $\Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_3$ , do the following:

- Write the matrix representation for the set, that is, the synthesis operator associated with the set.
- Find the dual basis. Sketch the original sets and their duals.
- Specify whether it is an orthonormal basis.
- For  $\mathbf{x} = [2, 0]^T$ , write down the projection coefficients,  $\alpha_{i,k} = \langle \mathbf{x}, \tilde{\varphi}_{i,k} \rangle$ .
- For the same  $\mathbf{x}$ , verify the expansion formula  $\Phi \tilde{\Phi}^T = \mathbf{I}$ .
- Specify whether the expansion preserves the norm, that is, whether it is true that  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = \sum_k |\alpha_{i,k}|^2$ .

For each of the sets of vectors,  $\Phi_2$  and  $\Phi_4$ , write the matrix representation for the set, that is, the synthesis operator associated with the set.

### Solution

- Concatenate the vector elements, in each set, to get a matrix. For example, we will use  $\Phi_1$ , the approach is the same for the others. Thus, for

$$\Phi_1 = \{\varphi_{1,0}, \varphi_{1,1}\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \quad (5)$$

the matrix representation is

$$\Phi_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

- Finding the dual basis or a dual frame is easiest using matrices. As long as each matrix above is of full rank (rank 2), we will be able to find the inverse (for bases/square matrices) or a right inverse (for frames/rectangular matrices),

$$\Phi \tilde{\Phi}^T = \mathbf{I}.$$

Thus,  $\tilde{\Phi}^T = \Phi^{-1}$  (i.e. the inverse of  $\Phi$ ), and  $\tilde{\Phi} = (\Phi^{-1})^T$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -\sqrt{3} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (7)$$

Similarly,

$$\tilde{\Phi}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (8)$$



- (c)  $\Phi_1$  is a basis, and it is not orthonormal because it is not equal to its dual. (Alternatively, its two elements are not orthogonal.)  $\Phi_3$  is a basis, and it is orthonormal because it is equal to its dual. (Alternatively, its two elements are orthogonal and have unit norm.)

- (d) These projection coefficients can be computed as  $\alpha_k = \tilde{\Phi}_k^T \mathbf{x}$ . So just (pre-)multiply the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  by  $\tilde{\Phi}^T$ :

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix},$$

while

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (e) Same as in (b).

- (f) The norm of  $\mathbf{x}$  is 2. The norms of the expansion vectors are  $\|\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1\| = 2\sqrt{7}$  and  $\|\boldsymbol{\alpha}_3\| = 2$ . The orthonormal basis preserves the norm, as predicted by the Parseval equality, while the other does not.

## 5 Inner product

True or False, two vectors, say  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$ , are **orthogonal** if their inner product is zero. Using your response to the above prove that  $f(t) = \sin(\pi nt)$  and  $g(t) = \sin(\pi mt)$  are orthogonal in the Hilbert space  $\mathcal{L}^2[-1, +1]$ , for any integers  $n \neq m$  (i.e., when  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $n \neq m$ ).

### Solution

**True!** They are also linearly independent. Further if  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$  have unit norm—i.e. if  $\|f(t)\| = 1$  and  $\|g(t)\| = 1$ —then we have an orthonormal set.

$$f(t) = \sin(\pi nt), g(t) = \sin(\pi mt) \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad (9)$$

If orthogonal, their inner-product will equal 0.

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \int_{-1}^{+1} \sin(\pi nt) \sin(\pi mt) dt, \quad (10)$$

We can expand  $\sin \alpha \sin \beta$ , to simplify integral

$$\sin(\pi nt) \sin(\pi mt) = \frac{\cos(\pi t(n - m)) - \cos(\pi t(n + m))}{2} \quad (11)$$

and substitute (3) back into (2):

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{+1} \cos(\pi t(n - m)) - \cos(\pi t(n + m)) dt, \quad (12)$$

This yields the two definite integrals:

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_{-1}^{+1} \cos(\pi t(n - m)) dt - \int_{-1}^{+1} \cos(\pi t(n + m)) dt \right], \quad (13)$$

Since the antiderivative of  $\cos()$  is  $\sin()$ , the definite integral may be expanded to:

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin(\pi(n - m))}{\pi(n - m)} - \frac{\sin(\pi(m - n))}{\pi(n - m)} - \frac{\sin(\pi(n + m))}{\pi(n + m)} + \frac{\sin(-\pi(n + m))}{\pi(n + m)} \right], \quad (14)$$

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \frac{\sin(\pi(n - m))}{\pi(n - m)} - \frac{\sin(\pi(n + m))}{\pi(n + m)}. \quad (15)$$

And since terms of  $(n - m), (n + m) \in \mathbb{Z}$  all arguments of the sin terms all operate on positive or negative integral multiples of  $\pi$ , which makes all terms  $\sin((n - m)\pi) = \sin((n + m)\pi) = 0$ . Thus,

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = 0. \quad \square \quad (16)$$

## 6 Inner product computation by expansion sequences

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be sequences in  $\ell^2(\mathbb{N})$ . Then, the functions

$$f(t) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi kt),$$

$$g(t) = \beta_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \beta_k \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi kt),$$

are in  $\mathcal{L}^2\left(\left[-\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\right]\right)$ . Demonstrate that the standard inner product between the functions,  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$  can be written as the standard inner product between the sequences  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . That is, show that  $\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle$ .

### Solution

Simply recall that  $\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} f(t)g(t)dt$ . Now,

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \left( \alpha_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi kt) \right) \left( \beta_0 + \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi lt) \right) dt$$

where we have changed the index in the second summation to avoid confusion (note that changing the index letter from  $k$  to  $l$ , does not alter the value of the sum or the integral). Now expanding the brackets gives:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f(t), g(t) \rangle &= \int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \alpha_0 \beta_0 + \beta_0 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi kt) + \alpha_0 \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi lt) \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi kt) \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi lt) dt. \end{aligned}$$

There are four terms in the integrals:

- **(Term 1)**  $\int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \alpha_0 \beta_0 dt = \alpha_0 \beta_0$ .

- **(Term 2)**

$$\int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \beta_0 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi kt) dt = \beta_0 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \sqrt{2} \int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \cos(2\pi kt) dt = 0.$$

This is because, after swapping the order of the summation and integral signs, the integral  $\int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \cos(2\pi kt) dt = 0$  for integer values of  $k \neq 0$ .

- **(Term 3)** Similarly,

$$\int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \alpha_0 \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi lt) dt = \alpha_0 \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l \sqrt{2} \int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \cos(2\pi lt) dt = 0.$$

This is because, after swapping the order of the summation and integral signs, the integral  $\int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \cos(2\pi lt) dt = 0$  for integer values of  $l \neq 0$ .

• (Term 4)

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi kt) \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi lt) dt &= \int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} 2\alpha_k \beta_l \cos(2\pi kt) \cos(2\pi lt) dt \\
&= 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \beta_l \int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \cos(2\pi kt) \cos(2\pi lt) dt \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \beta_l \int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \cos(2\pi(k+l)t) + \cos(2\pi(k-l)t) dt,
\end{aligned}$$

where the last line follows because  $\cos(a) \cos(b) = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(a+b) - \cos(a-b))$ . Now, because for  $(k+l) > 0$  for all values of  $k \geq 1$  and  $l \geq 1$ , then the integral  $\int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \cos(2\pi(k+l)t) dt = 0$ , for all integer values of  $k \geq 1$  and  $l \geq 1$ .

However, for  $(k-l)$ , there are two cases to consider: The first is when  $k = l$ , then  $k-l = 0$  and thus  $\int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \cos(2\pi(k-l)t) dt = \int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} 1 dt = 1$ . The second case, is when  $k \neq l$ , this means  $(k-l) \neq 0$  and so, as before  $\int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \cos(2\pi(k-l)t) dt = 0$ . Thus, it follows that,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi kt) \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi lt) dt &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \beta_l \int_{-1/2}^{+1/2} \cos(2\pi(k+l)t) + \cos(2\pi(k-l)t) dt \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \beta_l, \text{ for } k = l \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \beta_k
\end{aligned}$$

Summing the results of all the integrals, terms 1 to 4, gives

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \alpha_0 \beta_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \beta_k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k \beta_k = \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle.$$

As required!

## 7 Linear Independence (Optional, for extra credit.)

Find the values of the parameter  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  such that the following set is linearly independent:

$$U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a^2 \\ 0 & j \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & a-1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ ja & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

For  $a = j$ , express the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 2 & j-2 \end{bmatrix}$$

as a linear combination of the elements of  $U$ . [Note that  $j$  denotes the imaginary unit, i.e.  $j = \sqrt{-1}$ , so that  $cj \times dj = c \times d \times j^2 = c \times d \times -1 = -cd$ .]

### Solution

For any set to be a linearly independent set, then the linear combination of its elements is zero if and only if the weights of the linear. sum is zero. Specifically, for the set  $U$  to be linearly independent, it is necessary and sufficient that:

$$\lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a^2 \\ 0 & j \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & a-1 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ ja & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

for  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \in \mathbb{C}$  have the unique solution  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0$ . This is equivalent to the system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 &= 0, \\ \lambda_2 + ja \lambda_3 &= 0, \\ j \lambda_1 + (a-1) \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

By combining the first two equations, it follows that  $a^2 \lambda_1 = -\lambda_2 = ja \lambda_3$ . Multiplying the last equation by  $a^2$  and substituting for  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  using the first two equations, we get

$$\begin{aligned} ja^2 \lambda_1 + (a-1) a^2 \lambda_2 + a^2 \lambda_3 &= j(ja \lambda_3) + (a-1) a^2 (ja \lambda_3) + a^2 \lambda_3 \\ &= (-a - j(a-1) a^3 + a^2) \lambda_3 \\ &= a(1 - ja^2)(a-1) \lambda_3 \\ &= a(1 - ak)(1 + ak)(a-1) \lambda_3 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $k = \sqrt{j} = (1+j)/\sqrt{2}$ . When  $a \in \{1, 1, -1/k, 1/k\}$  it must be that  $\lambda_3 = 0$ . In addition, we have that  $a^2 \lambda_1 = -\lambda_2 = ja \lambda_3$ , which ensures that  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$ . Hence  $U$  is an independent set if and only if the complex number  $a$  is not equal to any of the values in the set  $\{0, 1, (1-j)/\sqrt{2}, -(1-j)/\sqrt{2}\}$ .

For  $a = j$ , notice that:

$$(-2) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 0 & j \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & j-1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 2 & j-2 \end{bmatrix},$$

as required.

## 8 Vector space $\mathbb{C}^n$ (Optional, for extra credit.)

Prove that  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is a vector space.

### Solution

To prove that  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is a vector space, we need to check that the conditions stated in (Lecture 2, Definition 2.1). Specifically, we need to prove Commutativity, Associativity, Distributivity, Additive identity, Additive inverse, Multiplicative identity.

(i) **Commutativity:**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} &= \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 + y_0 \\ x_1 + y_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} + y_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{(a)}{=} \begin{bmatrix} y_0 + x_0 \\ y_1 + x_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} + x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x}, \end{aligned}$$

where step (a) follows from the commutative property of addition on  $\mathbb{C}$ .

(ii) **Associativity:**

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) + \mathbf{z} &= \begin{bmatrix} x_0 + y_0 \\ x_1 + y_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} + y_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} z_0 \\ z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (x_0 + y_0) + z_0 \\ (x_1 + y_1) + z_1 \\ \vdots \\ (x_{n-1} + y_{n-1}) + z_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \\ &\stackrel{(a)}{=} \begin{bmatrix} x_0 + (y_0 + z_0) \\ x_1 + (y_1 + z_1) \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} + (y_{n-1} + z_{n-1}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} (y_0 + z_0) \\ (y_1 + z_1) \\ \vdots \\ (y_{n-1} + z_{n-1}) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}), \end{aligned}$$

where step (a) follows from the associative property of addition on  $\mathbb{C}$ . And

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha\beta)\mathbf{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} (\alpha\beta)x_0 \\ (\alpha\beta)x_1 \\ \vdots \\ (\alpha\beta)x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \\ &\stackrel{(a)}{=} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha(\beta x_0) \\ \alpha(\beta x_1) \\ \vdots \\ \alpha(\beta x_{n-1}) \end{bmatrix} = \alpha(\beta\mathbf{x}), \end{aligned}$$

where (a) follows from the associative property of multiplication on  $\mathbb{C}$ .

(iii) **Distributivity:** One can show that the distributive properties  $\alpha(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = \alpha\mathbf{x} + \alpha\mathbf{y}$ , and  $(\alpha + \beta)\mathbf{x} = \alpha\mathbf{x} + \beta\mathbf{x}$  follow by using a similar approach to the two properties above.

(iv) **Additive identity:** The element  $\mathbf{0} = [0 \ 0 \ \cdots \ 0]^T \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is the additive identity, since

$$\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{0} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 + 0 \\ x_1 + 0 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} + 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{x},$$

and  $\mathbf{0} + \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$  follows similarly.

(v) **Additive inverse:** For any  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ , the element

$$(-\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} -x_0 \\ -x_1 \\ \vdots \\ -x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^n,$$

is the unique additive inverse, since

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} + (-\mathbf{x}) &= \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -x_0 \\ -x_1 \\ \vdots \\ -x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} x_0 + (-x_0) \\ x_1 + (-x_1) \\ \vdots \\ x_0 + (-x_{n-1}) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}, \end{aligned}$$

$(-\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  follows similarly. Uniqueness follows from the uniqueness of additive inverses in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

(vi) **Multiplicative identity:** This property, i.e. for  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^n$  then  $1\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$ , follows similarly to the additive identity proof above.