

Jordan canonical form.

Note Title

Defn: Suppose $T \in L(V)$, and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ are e-values of T .

Let $E_r(\lambda_i)$ denote $\ker(T - \lambda_i I)^r$
 $(\{0\} = E_0(\lambda_i) \subseteq E_1(\lambda_i) \subseteq \dots \subseteq E_p(\lambda_i) \subseteq \dots)$

$E_r(\lambda_i)$ is called the generalized eigenspace of order r corr. to λ_i .

For an e-value λ of T , consider the sequence of non-zero vectors x_1, \dots, x_k such that-

$$x_1 \in \ker(T - \lambda I) \quad T x_1 = \lambda x_1, \quad (x_1 \text{ is an e-vector corr. to e-value } \lambda)$$

$$T x_2 = \lambda x_2 + x_1$$

$$T x_3 = \lambda x_3 + x_2$$

$$\vdots$$

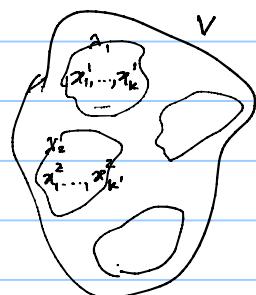
$$T x_k = \lambda x_k + x_{k-1}$$

then the set of vectors $\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$ is called a Jordan chain corr. to e-value λ .

Result: A Jordan chain consists of linearly indep. vectors.

If we consider the basis $B' = \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$ & T' denotes $T|_{B'}$, then

$$[T']_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$



This matrix is called the Jordan block of order k with e-value λ .

Suppose we find Jordan chains corr. to each e-value; then the union of these Jordan chains forms a

basis \mathcal{B} of V , and the matrix of T w.r.t. \mathcal{B} is of the form:

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} [J_{\lambda_1}] \\ [J_{\lambda_2}] \\ \vdots \\ [J_{\lambda_n}] \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \textcircled{A}$$

Theorem: (Existence of the Jordan canonical form)

T be a linear operator on m -dim'l v.s. V_h , and suppose the characteristic poly. of T splits over F . Then there exists a basis \mathcal{B} of V such that $[T]_{\mathcal{B}}$ has the form given in \textcircled{A} .

Triangulable matrices

Defn: A linear operator $T \in L(V)$ is said to be triangulable if there exists an ordered basis \mathcal{B} of V such that $[T]_{\mathcal{B}}$ is upper A^r .

(Matrix analogue: for any square matrix A , A is said to be triangulable if there exists an invertible matrix P s.t. $P^{-1}AP$ is upper A^r)

Theorem: Let V be f.d. over F , & $T \in L(V)$. TFAE:

- ① the char. poly. of T splits over F
- ② T is triangulable.

In particular, any matrix is triangulable over \mathbb{C} .
(but not necessarily over \mathbb{R}).

Unitary operators

- unitary operators
- Hermitian operators
- SVD.

Defn: A linear operator T on V is said to be unitary if $TT^* = T^*T = I$. ($\Leftrightarrow T^*$ is unitary)

[Properties : If S & T are unitary, then

- $S \cdot T$ is unitary
- S^{-1} is unitary.]

Proposition : Let V be f.dim'l i.p.s. over F & $T \in L(V)$.

TFAE :

- ① T is unitary
- ② $\langle Tu, Tv \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle$ for all $u, v \in V$. [T preserves inner products]
- ③ $\|Tu\| = \|u\|$ for all $u \in V$ [T preserves norms]
- ④ T maps orthonormal bases to orthonormal bases.

Proof : ① \Leftrightarrow ② $\langle Tu, Tv \rangle = \langle u, T^*Tv \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle$
 if & only if $T^*T = I$.

② \Leftrightarrow ③ ② \Rightarrow ③ clear from defn. of norm.

③ \Rightarrow ② exercise using polarization identity.

② \Leftrightarrow ④ ② \Rightarrow ④ follows from defn. of orthonormality.

④ \Rightarrow ② : Let $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ be an orthonormal basis of V , let $u = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i u_i$, $v = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i u_i$

$$\langle Tu, Tv \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i T u_i, \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j T u_j \right\rangle$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \bar{\beta}_j \underbrace{\langle T u_i, T u_j \rangle}_{\delta_{ij}}$$

$$= \sum_i \alpha_i \bar{\beta}_i \delta_{ij}, \quad \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$= \sum_i \alpha_i \bar{\beta}_i = \langle u, v \rangle \quad (\text{Kronecker delta})$$

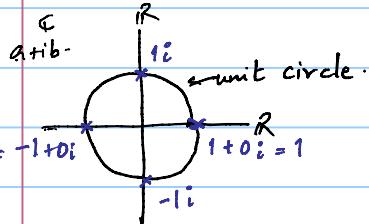
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Corollary: Eigenvalues of a unitary operator have absolute value 1.

Proof: Suppose λ is an e-value of a unitary operator T and suppose v is the corr. e-vector,

$$\text{then } \|v\| = \|Tv\| = \|\lambda v\| = |\lambda| \cdot \|v\|$$

$$\text{so } |\lambda| = 1. \quad (v \neq 0). \quad \square$$



$$\text{if } z = a + bi \in \mathbb{C}, \quad |z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}.$$

$$\therefore a^2 + b^2 = 1.$$

$$\text{eqn. of unit circle: } x^2 + y^2 = 1.$$

Note that the only real e-values of a unitary operator can be ± 1 .

(Terminology: If $F = \mathbb{R}$, then the unitary operator is called 'orthogonal'.)

Proposition: Suppose $T \in L(V)$ & B is an ordered orthonormal basis of V . Then $[T]_B$ is unitary $\Leftrightarrow T$ is unitary (over \mathbb{C})

$$[[T]_B \text{ is orthogonal matrix} \Leftrightarrow T \text{ is orthogonal (over } \mathbb{R})].$$

Proposition: Suppose A is a $n \times n$ matrix. T.F.A.E

① A is unitary

② Columns of A form an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{F}^n w.r.t. standard inner product

③ Columns of A^t form an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{F}^n w.r.t. the standard inner product.

Pf: ① \Rightarrow ② apply A to the standard basis

$$\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$$

$$e_i = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)^t$$

$$Ae_i = i^{\text{th}} \text{ column of } A$$

A unitary $\Rightarrow A$ sends orthonormal basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ to an orthonormal basis $\{\underbrace{Ae_1, \dots, Ae_n}_{\text{columns of } A}\}$

② \Rightarrow ① The $(i, j)^{\text{th}}$ entry of a matrix B $e_i^t B e_j$.

Suppose the columns of A are orthonormal, then

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{of } A^*A \text{ entry} = e_i^t (A^*A) e_j = (Ae_i)^* (Ae_j) = \delta_{ij} \\ \text{of } A^*A \end{array}$$

$$\therefore A^*A = I_n \Rightarrow A \text{ is unitary.} \quad \square.$$

Corollary: If $T \in L(V)$ is unitary, and if \mathcal{B}_1 & \mathcal{B}_2 are ordered orthonormal bases of V then $[T]_{\mathcal{B}_2}^{\mathcal{B}_1}$ is a unitary matrix.