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# Fields

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Lecture 1

Def: Fields

A field is a set  $F$  associated with two binary operations - "addition" ( $+ : F \times F \rightarrow F$ ) and "multiplication" ( $\cdot : F \times F \rightarrow F$ ) satisfying certain properties (called "field axioms").

## Field Axioms

Let  $a, b, c \in F$ . Then:

(1) Associativity:  $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$ ;  $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$

(2) Commutativity:  $a + b = b + a$ ;  $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$

(3) Identities: There exist distinct elements  $0, 1 \in F$  ( $0 \neq 1$ ), such that:  $a + 0 = a$ ;  $a \cdot 1 = a$

(4) Inverses: For every  $a \in F$  there exist elements  $(-a)$ ,  $a^{-1} \in F$  such that:  $a + (-a) = 0$ ;  $a \cdot a^{-1} = 1$

(5) Distributivity:  $a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$

## Notes on Fields

- A field  $F$  with operations  $+$ ,  $\cdot$  may also be denoted  $(F, +, \cdot)$ .

- A field  $F$  represents a form of "number system" (where the numbers are the elements of  $F$ ).

- (\*) Not all "number systems" satisfy the field axioms [are fields]; a number system may have noncommutative multiplication, e.g.

- The elements  $0$  and  $1$  in a field are called the additive and multiplicative identity, respectively

- The " $0$ " and " $1$ " referenced in the additive ( $(-a)$ ) and multiplicative ( $a^{-1}$ ) inverse axioms refer to the additive & multiplicative identities; thus, identities must be defined before inverses

- Example fields:  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$

- (\*) Not all fields are "regular":  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  (" $\mathbb{Z}$  mod  $p$ ") is a field in which there only exist  $p$  elements ( $\mathbb{Z}_p = \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ ) and  $(p-1) + 1 = 0$

# Vector Spaces

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## Def: Vector Spaces

A vector space is a set  $V$  over a field  $F$  (where the elements of  $V$  are called "vectors") associated with two binary operations - [vector] addition ( $+ : V \times V \rightarrow V$ ) and scalar multiplication ( $\cdot : F \times V \rightarrow V$ ) - satisfying certain axioms.

## Vector Space Axioms

Let  $u, v, w \in V; a, b \in F$ . Then:

(1) Closure: for every  $u, v \in V$  and  $a \in F$ , the sum  $u+v$  and product  $av$  are themselves elements of  $V$  (i.e.  $u+v, av \in V$ ).

(2) Associativity:  $u+(v+w)=(u+v)+w$ ;  $a(bv)=(ab)v$

(3) Commutativity:  $u+v=v+u$

(4) Additive identity: There exists an element  $0 \in V$  such that  $v+0=v \forall v \in V$

(5) Multiplicative identity:  $1v=v$  (where  $1$  denotes the multiplicative identity in  $F$ ).

(6) Additive inverse: For every  $v \in V$  there exists an element  $(-v) \in V$  such that  $v+(-v)=0$

(7) Distributivity: (i) Over vector addition:  $a(u+v)=au+av$

(ii) Over scalar addition:  $(a+b)v=av+bv$

## Notes on Vector Spaces

- The closure requirement applies to fields as well, but more often comes up in the context of subsets of vector spaces
- Vector spaces are "over" fields mainly to provide scalars for scalar multiplication; as such, any vector space can typically be generalized across different fields
- Dot and cross product (used in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ) are not inherent properties of all vector spaces (e.g. ill-defined in  $\mathbb{C}$ )
- Any field is a vector space over itself (and its subfields)

# Vector Spaces (cont.)

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Lecture 2

Linear Algebra: initially the study of finite unknowns in finite dimensions; later branched out to infinite dimensions

Notes on Vector Spaces (cont.)

- Given a set  $S$  and a field  $F$ , the function space  $F(S, F)$  [the set of functions  $f: S \rightarrow F$ ] has a vector space structure with addition  $((f_1 + f_2)(v) = f_1(v) + f_2(v))$  and scalar multiplication  $((\alpha f)(v) = \alpha f(v))$
- A coordinate  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  can be seen as a function  $f: \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (mapping an "index" in the coordinate to the coordinate's value [ $v \in \mathbb{R}$ ] at that index). Thus, the set of all coordinates  $(\{1, \dots, n\}, \mathbb{R})$  has a vector space structure over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- Similarly, the space of all sequences on field  $F$   $(\{1, 2, \dots\}, F)$  (mapping  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow a_n$ ) is a vector space over  $F$  (where addition:  $(s_n) + (t_n) = (s_n + t_n)$ ).  
(\*)  $\ell^2$  ("little ell two"), the set of infinite sequences  $\{(x_1, x_2, \dots) : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n^2 < \infty\}$  [square summable sequences], can be shown to be closed & a vector space
- A field is always a vector space over any of its subfields, but subfields do not necessarily form vector spaces over the original field (ex:  $\mathbb{Q}$  is not a V.S. over  $\mathbb{R}$  ( $q \in \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \pi q \notin \mathbb{Q}$ , e.g.))
- "Message": geometry (i.e. structure) still exists even in infinite dimensions

(\*) Field Extension

Given a field  $F$ , we can extend the field to include additional elements not originally in the field (and also extending addition & multiplication accordingly).

$$\text{Ex: } \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) := \{a + b\sqrt{2} : a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\} \quad ["\mathbb{Q} \text{ extended by } \sqrt{2}]$$

$$\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) := \{a + b\sqrt{3} : a, b \in \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})\}$$

$$\mathbb{R}(i) := \{a + bi : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\} = \mathbb{C} \quad ((*) \text{ Then we call } \mathbb{R} \text{ a } \underline{\text{subfield}} \text{ of } \mathbb{C}.)$$

# Notes on Fields

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## (\*) On Fields

Notation: Although we generally accept the meaning of " $a+b+c+\dots$ " and " $a \cdot b \cdot c \cdot \dots$ " to be the repeated addition/multiplication of  $a, b, c, \dots \in F$ , this is not immediately true given the definition of a field (since addition and multiplication are binary operations - take only two operands). More technically correct expressions would be  $+((a, +(b, +(c, \dots))))$  and  $\cdot((a, \cdot(b, \cdot(c, \dots))))$  for binary operations  $+(a, b)$  and  $\cdot(a, b)$ .

## (\*) Proving Field Properties

Many generally-assumed properties of fields are not immediately obvious from the axioms alone.

Ex: Prove  $a \cdot 0 = 0$ :  $a \cdot 0 = a \cdot (0+0) = 0 \cdot a + 0 \cdot a$ . Choose  $b$  such that  $(a+0)+b=0$ .

Then  $0 = (a+0)+b = (a \cdot 0 + a \cdot 0) + b = a \cdot 0 + 0 = a \cdot 0$ .  $\square$

Ex: The uniqueness of  $0$  and  $1$  (i.e. that  $\nexists$  any elements  $0' \neq 0$  or  $1' \neq 1$  that possess the properties of additive/multiplicative identity) also requires the other axioms to prove.

## (\*) Def: Rings

A ring is a set  $R$  associated with two binary operations - addition ( $+: R \times R \rightarrow R$ ) and multiplication ( $\cdot: R \times R \rightarrow R$ ) - satisfying certain axioms (called "ring axioms").

## Ring Axioms

The list of ring axioms is equivalent to the list of field axioms, with two exceptions: the ring axioms notably do not require commutative multiplication or the existence of the multiplicative identity [1].

(\*) A ring can thus be thought of as an "almost-field", or as a generalization of fields to number systems with potentially noncommutative multiplication or lacking a multiplicative identity.

# Dimension and Linear Independence

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## Lecture 3 Dimension of a Vector Space

Def: A vector space  $V$  is called finitely generated if  $\exists$  a finite set of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_k \in V$  such that every vector  $v \in V$  can be expressed in the form  $\sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j v_j$  ( $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in F$ ).

(\*) Def: Such a term  $v = \sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j v_j$  is called a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_k$ .

### Def: Dimension

If a vector space  $V$  is finitely generated, then we say  $V$  is finite dimensional and define the dimension of  $V$   $\dim(V)$  to be the size of the smallest set of vectors that generates  $V$ .

### Def: Linear Independence

Given a set of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_k \in V$ , the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) The vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  are linearly independent.
- (2) Every [finite] linear combination  $\sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j v_j$  is equal to 0 only when  $\alpha_j = 0 \forall j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ .
- (3) Every nontrivial linear combination  $\sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j v_j$  (i.e. where  $\exists \alpha_j \neq 0$ ) is nonzero.
- (4) No vector  $v_i$  in the set is a linear combination of the other vectors  $v_{j \neq i}$ .

### Notes on Linear Independence

- If a set of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  is not [linearly] independent, then it is called dependent.
- If a set of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  is linearly independent, that implies  $0 \notin \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ .
- Given finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ , if a set of vectors  $w_1, \dots, w_k$  generates  $V$  and  $\nexists$  any set of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  ( $n < k$ ) finitely generating  $V$ , then  $\dim(V) = k$  and  $w_1, \dots, w_k$  are linearly independent

# Dependence & Dimension

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Thm: "The Big Theorem"

Let  $(V, F)$  be a vector space generated by a finite set of  $m$  vectors. Then any set  $S \subseteq V$  with  $n > m$  elements is linearly dependent.

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## (\*) Proof 1 (Halmos)

Let  $w_1, \dots, w_m$  be a set of generating vectors for  $V$ , and let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be a set of linearly independent vectors. Assume, for the sake of contradiction, that  $n > m$ .

Now, "attach"  $v_i$  to  $w_1, \dots, w_m \rightarrow v_1, w_1, \dots, w_m$ . Since  $w_1, \dots, w_m$  is a set of generating vectors,  $v_1$  is a linear combination of  $w_1, \dots, w_m$ ; thus  $v_1, w_1, \dots, w_m$  is dependent and generating. Since  $v_1$  is a linear comb. of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ , then  $\exists v_i$  s.t.  $v_i$  is a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ . Then we can remove  $v_i$  from the set while still generating  $V$ : we have "replaced"  $w_i$  with  $v_i$ . [Remove  $v_i$  from  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ ].

Continue replacing vectors  $w_i$  with vectors  $v_j$  until all vectors  $w_i$  have been replaced. Then we have a set of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  that generates  $V$ . But since  $n > m$ ,  $\exists$  at least one  $v_i \notin \{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$ ; since  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  generates  $V$ , then this  $v_i$  must be a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_m$ . But we stated that  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  was linearly independent; thus we have a contradiction.  $\square$

## (\*) Proof 2

Reminder: If # unknowns > # equations in a homogeneous system of linear equations,  $\exists$  a nontrivial solution.

Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be a set of  $n$  vectors in a vector space of dimension  $m$  ( $n > m$ ). To prove  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are linearly dependent, we want to find  $x_1, v_1 + x_2 v_2 + \dots + x_n v_n = 0$  ( $x_i$  not all 0). We know  $\exists$  a spanning set of vectors  $w_1, \dots, w_m$  s.t.  $v_j = a_{j1}w_1 + \dots + a_{jm}w_m \forall v_j$ . Substituting  $x_1(a_{11}w_1 + \dots + a_{1m}w_m) + \dots + (x_n(a_{n1}w_1 + \dots + a_{nm}w_m)) = 0$ .

We can rearrange to get:  $(a_{11}x_1 + a_{21}x_2 + \dots + a_{n1}x_n)v_1 + \dots + (a_{1m}x_1 + \dots + a_{nm}x_n)v_m = 0$ . We know  $a_{ij}w_1 + \dots + a_{im}w_m = 0$  only if  $a_{ij} = 0 \forall j$ ; then we want to find  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  s.t.  $a_{ij}x_1 + \dots + a_{nj}x_n = 0 \forall j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ . This is a homogeneous linear system with  $m$  equations and  $n > m$  unknowns; thus, we know  $\exists$  a nontrivial solution such that  $x_1, \dots + x_n v_n = 0$ , therefore  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are linearly dependent.

# Bases, Subspaces, and Linear Transformations

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Lecture 5

## Bases and Subspaces

Def: Given finitely generated vector space  $V$ , a basis of  $V$  is a linearly independent set of vectors that generates  $V$ .

### (\*) Finding a Basis

Take an independent set  $S$  (e.g. a set of just 1 vector). Either  $S$  generates  $V$ , or  $\exists v \in V$  not generated by  $S$ . Then we know  $S \cup \{v\}$  is still independent  $\rightarrow$  set  $S = S \cup \{v\}$  & repeat.

Def: Given vector space  $V$ , a subspace of  $V$  is a subset  $V' \subset V$  such that  $V'$  is itself a vector space (with the same operations as  $V$ ).

(\*) If  $\dim(V) = n$  and  $\dim(V') = k < n$ , then for any basis  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  of  $V'$ , we can extend the basis by  $(n-k)$  additional vectors  $v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n$  to obtain a basis of  $V$ .

(\*) Note: representations of vectors as combinations of bases are unique.

## Def: Linear Transformations

A linear transformation is a linear function  $f: V \rightarrow W$  such that  $f(\alpha v_1 + \beta v_2) = \alpha f(v_1) + \beta f(v_2)$ .

We call the set of linear transformations  $V \rightarrow W$   $\text{Hom}(V, W)$ , and for each  $T \in \text{Hom}(V, W)$  we define two vector spaces "attached" to  $T$ :

### (\*) Def: Kernel and Image

(1) Kernel/null space of  $T := \ker(T) = \{v \in V : T(v) = \vec{0} \in W\}$

(2) Image/range  $T(V)$  of  $T := \text{im}(T) = \{T(\vec{v}) : \vec{v} \in V\}$

THM: If  $V$  is finite dimensional ( $W$  need not be), then both  $\ker(T)$  and  $\text{im}(T)$  are finite dimensional and  $\dim(\text{im}(T)) + \dim(\ker(T)) = \dim(V)$ .

## (\*) Vector Spaces & Transformations

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### Discussion 4

Discussion 4

Def: Given vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  their span  $[\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_n)]$  is the set of all linear combinations of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ , or the intersection of all subspaces  $V' \subset V$  containing all of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$

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(\*) Equivalently,  $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_n)$  is the smallest subspace containing all of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$

(\*) A vector space  $V$  is finite-dimensional if it is spanned by a finite list of vectors

Propositions: (i) Given finite-dimensional vector space  $V$  with  $\dim V = n$ , then any set  $S$  that spans  $V$  and has  $|S| = n$  is a basis for  $V$ .

(ii) Similarly, any linearly independent  $T$  where  $|T| = n$  is a basis for  $V$ .

### Discussion 5

Prop: Let  $V$  be a f.d.v.s. with basis  $B = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ . Given another vector space  $W$ , the assignment  $\text{Lin}(V, W) \rightarrow \text{Fun}(B, W)$  [equivalently,  $\mathcal{F}: \text{Hom}(V, W) \xrightarrow{\sim} T|_B$ ] is a bijection.

(\*) The notion of "linearity" between  $V, W$  implicitly requires  $V, W$  over the same field

(\*) Axiom of Choice: Every vector space has a basis.

Prop: Assume  $V, W$  are vector spaces. Then a linear map  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is injective iff  $\exists$  a "left inverse" linear map  $S: W \rightarrow V$  such that  $S \circ T = \text{id}$  in  $V$ .

(\*) Analogously:  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is surjective iff  $\exists$  a "right inverse" linear map  $S: W \rightarrow V$  such that  $T \circ S = \text{id}$  in  $W$ .

### Notes: Homework 1 & Lecture

• Lecture: The "big theorem" [about lin. indep.] is a fairly special [i.e. not universal] property of vector spaces in finite group theory.

• HW1: If  $F$  is a finite field, then  $\text{Lin}(F) \quad 1+1+\dots+1=0 \in F$  for some number of 1s. The smallest such positive integer is called the characteristic of  $F$  and is prime.

• HW1:  $\text{Hom}(V, W) = \text{set of linear functions } V \rightarrow W; C([0, 1]) = \text{set of continuous functions } [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, [F(v, w) = \text{func. } V \rightarrow W]$

# Rank-Nullity

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Lecture 6

## Rank-Nullity

Reminder [Rank-Nullity theorem]: If vector space  $V$  is finite-dimensional, then  $T(V)$  is finite-dimensional and  $\dim(T(V)) = \dim V - \dim N(V)$ .

(\*) Proof: Let  $V$  be a vector space,  $T: V \rightarrow W$  a linear transformation. Let  $\dim V = n$ .

Choose basis  $v_1, \dots, v_k \in V$  ( $k \leq n$ ) as a basis for  $\ker(T) \subset V$ . Then we need  $(n-k)$  additional independent vectors  $v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n$  to form a basis for  $V$ . We claim that  $T(v_{k+1}), \dots, T(v_n)$  is a basis for  $T(V)$ .

(\*\*) Proof:  $T(V) = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j v_j \mid v_j \in V \right\}$  is the set of linear combinations of vectors  $T(v_j) \in W$ .

Then  $T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)$  generate  $T(V)$ . Except  $v_1, \dots, v_k \in \ker(T)$  and therefore  $T(v_1) = \dots = T(v_k) = 0$ ; thus,  $T(v_{k+1}), \dots, T(v_n)$  generate  $T(V)$ .

We want to show that  $T(v_{k+1}), \dots, T(v_n)$  are independent. Assume they are not independent; then  $\exists \sum_{j=k+1}^n \beta_j T(v_j) = 0 \in W$  for some  $\beta_{k+1}, \dots, \beta_n$  not all 0.

Then  $\sum_{j=k+1}^n \beta_j v_j \in \ker(T)$ ; therefore  $\exists$  a linear combination [not trivial] of  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  equal to  $\sum_{j=k+1}^n \beta_j v_j$ ; but this is impossible, since  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are a basis and thus independent. Therefore  $T(v_{k+1}), \dots, T(v_n)$  are independent and thus a basis for  $T(V)$ .

Then  $\dim(V) = n = k + (n-k) = |\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}| + |\{v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n\}| = \dim(\ker(T)) + \dim(T(V))$ .  $\blacksquare$

(\*\*) Corollary:  $\ker(T) = \{0\}$  iff  $\text{im}(T) = V$  [ $\dim\{0\} = 0$ ]

## Notes on Transformations $(T: V \rightarrow W)$

- For a linear transformation  $T$ , the associated vector spaces  $\ker(T)$ ,  $\text{im}(T)$  are actually subspaces (where  $\ker(T) \subset V$ ,  $\text{im}(T) \subset W$ ) [As proof of subspace, we need only check closure & additive identity]

(\*) Does not necessarily hold for nonlinear transformations (e.g. range( $f: x \mapsto x^2$ ) =  $\{y: y \geq 0\}$  is not closed under addition)

- Things (elements, operations, etc.) may not always be the same across vector spaces

(\*) " $T(\alpha v_1 + \beta v_2) = \alpha T(v_1) + \beta T(v_2)$ "  $\rightarrow$  " $\alpha v_1 + \beta v_2$ " addition in  $V$ ; " $\alpha T(v_1) + \beta T(v_2)$ " addition in  $W$

# Matrix Representations of Linear Transformations

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Lecture 7

## Bases & Linear Transformations

Notation: Standard bases in  $\mathbb{F}^n$ :  $e_1, \dots, e_n : (1, 0, \dots, 0), (0, 1, \dots, 0), \dots, (0, \dots, 0, 1)$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v} \in \mathbb{F}^n = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j e_j \Rightarrow T(\vec{v}) = T\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j e_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j T(e_j) [T: \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow V]$$

(\*) Implication: knowing  $T(e_j)$  for all  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  = knowing  $T$  for all  $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{F}^n$

## Matrix Representations of Linear Transformations

Let  $T: \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation, and let  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  be the standard basis of  $\mathbb{F}^n$ . Let  $\dim(V) = m$ . Then the matrix of  $T$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, where the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column is the vector  $T(e_j) \in V$  for all  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , i.e.:

$$[T] = [T(e_1) \ T(e_2) \ \dots \ T(e_n)] \Rightarrow m \text{ rows, } n \text{ columns}$$

## Notes on Matrices of Linear Transformations

- The image  $T(\mathbb{F}^n)$  of  $T$  is generated by the columns  $T(e_j)$  of the matrix of  $T$   
 $\Rightarrow \dim(T(\mathbb{F}^n)) = \dim(\text{span}(T(e_1), \dots, T(e_n)))$

(\*) This is also equal to the dimension of the space generated by the rows

• Alternate notation:

$$L(x) = [T(e_1) \ \dots \ T(e_n)] \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{for some scalars } \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$$

(\*) The choice to represent  $T(e_j)$  as columns of  $[T]$  is somewhat arbitrary - we can express  $T(e_j)$  as rows instead if we so chose, for instance

(\*) Linear algebra began as the study of matrices [concreted]; would only later transition into more abstract topics (e.g. vector spaces)

• Matrices & Linear Transformations:  $T(\vec{x}) = [T] \vec{x}$

# Dual Spaces

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Lecture 7

## Def: Dual Spaces

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Given a vector space  $V$  over  $F$ , we define the dual [vector] space of  $(V, F)$  to be the vector space  $V^* = \text{Hom}(V, F)$ , i.e. the space of linear transformations  $T: V \rightarrow F$ .

## Def: Dual Bases

Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space over  $F$ , and let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be a basis for  $V$ . Define linear functions  $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_n \in V^*$ , where  $\Theta_i(v_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$ . Then  $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_n$  are a basis for  $V^*$ , called the dual basis of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ .  $[\Theta_i(\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k v_k) = \alpha_i]$

(\*) Notation [Kronecker delta]:  $\Theta_i(v_j) = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$

## (\*) Proof: Dual Bases

We claim  $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_n$  dual to  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are a basis for  $V^*$ .

(i) Independence: Suppose  $\sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_j \Theta_j = 0$  [zero transformation]. Then for all  $v_k: (\sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_j \Theta_j)(v_k) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \gamma_k = 0$ . Then  $\gamma_j = 0$  for all  $j$ .

(ii) Generativity: Let  $w \in V^*$ . We want to find  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n$  such that  $w = \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_j \Theta_j$ . Set  
 $\gamma_k = w(v_k)$  for each basis vector  $v_k$ ; then  $\sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_j \Theta_j(v) = w(v) \quad \forall v \in V$ .

## (\*) Dual Spaces in Infinite Dimensions

Although dual spaces and functions analogous to dual basis functions can be defined in infinite-dimensional spaces, it is not possible to find [finite] dual bases in infinite dimensions.

Ex: Let  $V$  be the space of infinite sequences that are eventually all 0 (i.e. sequences of the form  $(v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n, 0, 0, 0, \dots)$ ).

Then there is no finite set  $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_n$  that could express  $\Omega: \Sigma(v_1, v_2, \dots)$  in terms of  $\Theta$ . [If there were such a set, we would simply find a sequence with (n+1) nonzero elements as a counterexample].

# Annihilator & Adjoint

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Def: Annihilator

Let  $S \subset V$  be a subspace. Then we define the annihilator of  $S$ ,  $\text{ann}(S) \subset V^*$  to be the subspace

$$\text{ann}(S) := \{\omega \in V^* : \omega(s) = 0 \forall s \in S\}$$

Theorem: Dimension & Annihilator

If  $W \subset V$  is a finite-dimensional subspace, then  $\text{ann}(W) \subset V^*$  is also finite-dimensional and  $\dim(\text{ann}(W)) = \dim(V) - \dim(W)$ .

Proof: Choose a basis  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  ( $k \leq n$ ) for  $W$  [ $\dim W = k$ ]; then we want  $v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n$  to obtain a basis for  $V$  [ $\dim V = n$ ]. Let  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$  be the dual basis of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ . (Claim:  $\text{ann}(W)$  is the set of all linear combinations of  $\theta_{k+1}, \dots, \theta_n$ , thus  $\theta_{k+1}, \dots, \theta_n$  is a basis for  $\text{ann}(V)$ .)

Proof: Suppose  $\omega = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \theta_j \in \text{ann}(W)$ . Then  $\omega(w) = 0 \forall w \in W$ , therefore  $\omega(v_i) = 0 \forall 1 \leq i \leq k$ . Then  $\omega \in \text{ann}(W)$  iff  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_k = 0$ , i.e. when  $\omega = \sum_{j=k+1}^n \alpha_j \theta_j$ .

Then  $\dim(\text{ann}(V)) = (n-k) = \dim V - \dim W$ .

Def: Adjoint

Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  for vector spaces  $V, W$  over  $F$ . Then we define the adjoint of  $T$  to be the linear transformation  $T^*: W^* \rightarrow V^*$  defined by  $\omega \mapsto \omega \circ T$ .

Notes on Adjoints

Observation:  $\ker(T^*) = \text{ann}(T(V))$

Proof: Let  $\omega \in W^*$ .  $\omega \in \ker(T^*) \Rightarrow (T^*\omega)(v) = 0 \forall v \in V \Rightarrow \omega(T(v)) = 0 \forall v \in V \Rightarrow \omega \in \text{ann}(T(V))$ .

Consequence:  $\dim(N(T^*)) = \dim(\text{ann}(T(V))) = \dim(W) - \dim(T(V))$ .

(\*) Notation: Adjoint may also be referred to as algebraic adjoint, transpose, or dual [map] of  $T$

# Inner Product

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Def: Inner Product

An inner product on a vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{F}$  is a function  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$  [mapping ordered pairs  $(v_1, v_2) \in V^2$  to  $\mathbb{F}$ ] that satisfies:

(i)  $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$  [Symmetry]

(ii)  $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in V; \langle x, x \rangle = 0 \text{ only if } x = \vec{0}$  [Positive definite]

(iii)  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is linear in both variables (i.e.  $x \mapsto \langle x, y \rangle$  is linear  $\forall y \in V$ )

## Inner Products in Geometry

Def  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : ((a_1, \dots, a_n), (b_1, \dots, b_n)) \mapsto a_1 b_1 + \dots + a_n b_n$  be an inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Def: Let  $(V, \mathbb{R})$  be a vector space with inner product. Then for every  $v_1, v_2 \in V$ , we define the

magnitude of  $v$ :  $\|v\| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$  and the distance  $(v_1, v_2) = \|v_1 - v_2\|$ . [Def: Distance/Norm]

Def: If  $v_1, v_2 \neq \vec{0}$ , we define  $\cos(\theta) = \frac{\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle}{\|v_1\| \|v_2\|}$  for some  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$ . [Def: Angles]

Prop (Cauchy-Schwarz):  $|\langle v, w \rangle| \leq \|v\| \cdot \|w\|$

Def: Let  $v, w \in V$ . Then we define the projection of  $v$  onto  $w$ :  $\text{proj}_w(v) = \frac{\langle v, w \rangle}{\|w\|^2} w$

(Claim:  $\|v\| \geq \|\text{proj}_w(v)\|$ )

(\*) Proof:  $\langle v - \text{proj}_w(v), v - \text{proj}_w(v) \rangle = \langle v, v \rangle - 2 \frac{\langle v, w \rangle}{\|w\|^2} \langle v, w \rangle + \frac{\langle v, w \rangle^2}{\|w\|^2} \langle w, w \rangle$   
 $\rightarrow \langle v, v \rangle - 2 \frac{\langle v, w \rangle^2}{\|w\|^2} + \frac{\langle v, w \rangle^2}{\|w\|^2} = \langle v, v \rangle - \langle v, \frac{w}{\|w\|^2} w \rangle \geq 0 \Rightarrow \|v - \text{proj}_w(v)\| \geq 0$ .  $\square$

(\*) Proof: Assume  $v, w \neq \vec{0}$  (otherwise, trivial). Then:  $\|v\| \geq \|\text{proj}_w(v)\| = \left| \frac{\langle v, w \rangle}{\|w\|^2} \right| \|w\| = \frac{|\langle v, w \rangle|}{\|w\|}$ .  $\square$

Corollary (Triangle inequality):  $\|v + w\| \leq \|v\| + \|w\|$

(\*) Proof:  $\|v + w\|^2 = \langle v + w, v + w \rangle = \langle v, v \rangle + 2 \langle v, w \rangle + \langle w, w \rangle \leq \|v\|^2 + 2\|v\| \cdot \|w\| + \|w\|^2 = (\|v\| + \|w\|)^2$

(\*) Note: Cauchy-Schwarz does not stipulate finite dimensions.

Ex: Inner product on  $\ell^2$ :  $x, y \in \ell^2 \rightarrow \langle x, y \rangle = \sum |x_i \cdot y_i| \leq \sum (|x_i|^2 + |y_i|^2) < \infty$

(\*) Notation:  $\langle x, y \rangle$  may also be written  $\langle x | y \rangle$ .

# Orthonormalization

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## Orthonormalization

Let  $(V, \mathbb{R})$  be a vector space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be a finite basis for  $V$ .

Problem: We want  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  to be similar to  $e_1, \dots, e_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ; i.e. we want  $\|v_i\| = 1 \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = 0 \forall i \neq j$ . [We want  $v_i, v_j$  orthogonal/perpendicular].

Theorem (Gram-Schmidt):

Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be linearly independent. Then  $\exists w_1, \dots, w_n \in V$  such that:

$$(i) \|w_i\| = 1 \forall 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

$$(ii) \langle w_i, v_j \rangle = 0 \forall i \neq j.$$

$$(iii) \text{span}(w_1, \dots, w_n) = \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_n).$$

We can construct  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  inductively:

Base case: Let  $w_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|}$ . Then  $\|w_1\| = 1$ .

Ind. Step: We want  $w_{k+1}$  such that  $w_{k+1}$  is orthogonal to  $v_1, \dots, v_k$ . We set

$$w_{k+1} = v_{k+1} - \sum_{j=1}^k \text{proj}_{w_j}(v_{k+1}) = v_{k+1} - \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{\langle w_j, v_{k+1} \rangle}{\|w_j\|^2} w_j, \text{ then divide by its length.}$$

Then  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  are an orthonormal basis.

(\*) Proof: Let  $i \neq j$ . Then:  $\langle w_i, w_j \rangle = \langle w_i, v_j - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} \frac{\langle w_k, v_j \rangle}{\|v_j\|^2} v_k \rangle = \langle w_i, v_j \rangle - \langle w_i, \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} \frac{\langle w_k, v_j \rangle}{\|v_j\|^2} v_k \rangle$   
 $\rightarrow = \langle w_i, v_j \rangle - \langle w_i, v_j \rangle = 0. \blacksquare$

## (\*) Consequences

(i) If  $(V, \mathbb{R})$  is a finite-dimensional vector space, then  $(V, \mathbb{R})$  has an orthonormal basis.

(ii) If  $W \subset V$  ( $V$  as above),  $\dim W = k$  and  $\dim V = n$ , then  $\exists$  an orthonormal basis  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  for  $V$  such that  $w_1, \dots, w_k$  is a basis for  $W$ .

(\*) Changing Orthonormal Bases analogous to rotating axes in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\text{Ex } (\mathbb{R}^2): \begin{cases} \downarrow & \Rightarrow & \begin{matrix} i \\ j \end{matrix} & \{ (1,0), (0,1) \} \Rightarrow \{ (\sqrt{2}/2, \sqrt{2}/2), (-\sqrt{2}/2, \sqrt{2}/2) \} \end{cases}$$

# Orthogonal Transformations

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## Orthogonal Transformations

Def: Let  $(V, \mathbb{R})$  be a vector space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . Then a linear transformation  $T: V \rightarrow V$  is called orthogonal if  $\langle T(v_1), T(v_2) \rangle = \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle \forall v_1, v_2 \in V$  [i.e.  $T$  preserves inner products].

## Orthogonal Transformations

Lemma: " $T: V \rightarrow V$  is orthogonal"  $\Leftrightarrow$  " $\|T(v)\| = \|v\| \forall v \in V$ ". [i.e.  $T$  preserves length].

(\*) Proof:

$$A \rightarrow B: \|T(v)\| = \langle T(v), T(v) \rangle^{1/2} = \langle v, v \rangle^{1/2} = \|v\|. \blacksquare$$

$$B \rightarrow A: \text{Know: } \|v_1 + v_2\| = \|T(v_1 + v_2)\| \Rightarrow \|v_1 + v_2\| = \|T(v_1) + T(v_2)\|$$

$$\rightarrow \|v_1 + v_2\|^2 = \langle v_1 + v_2, v_1 + v_2 \rangle = \|T(v_1) + T(v_2)\|^2 = \langle T(v_1) + T(v_2), T(v_1) + T(v_2) \rangle$$

$$\langle T(v_1) + T(v_2), T(v_1) + T(v_2) \rangle = \langle T(v_1), T(v_1) \rangle + 2\langle T(v_1), T(v_2) \rangle + \langle T(v_2), T(v_2) \rangle$$

$$= \|T(v_1)\|^2 + 2\langle T(v_1), T(v_2) \rangle + \|T(v_2)\|^2$$

$$= \|v_1\|^2 + 2\langle T(v_1), T(v_2) \rangle + \|v_2\|^2$$

$$= \langle v_1 + v_2, v_1 + v_2 \rangle = \|v_1\|^2 + 2\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle + \|v_2\|^2$$

$$\rightarrow \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle T(v_1), T(v_2) \rangle. \blacksquare$$

(\*) Def: Groups

A group is a set with an operation satisfying: associativity, presence of an identity element, and the existence of an inverse element for every element in the set.

(\*) The Orthogonal Group

Let  $(V, \mathbb{R})$  be a finite-dimensional vector space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . Then the set of orthogonal transformations  $T: V \rightarrow V$  has a group structure with the operation of function composition; this is called the orthogonal group.

## (\*) Bilinear Forms

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### (\*) Exercise: Infinite-Dimensional Spaces

We know  $\mathbb{R}$  is an infinite-dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Let  $p_n$  be the [finite] sequence of prime integers:  $p_1=2, p_2=3, p_3=5, \dots$ . Recall (Fundamental Thm): any  $m \in \mathbb{N} > 1$  has a unique prime factorization.

Claim:  $\log(p_1), \log(p_2), \dots$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Proof: Suppose  $\exists a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $\sum a_i \log(p_i) = 0$ . We want to show  $a_1 = \dots = a_n = 0$ .

Recall log properties:  $\sum a_i \log(p_i) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = \log\left(\prod_{i=1}^n p_i^{a_i}\right)$ .

Drop the log:  $1 = \prod_{i=1}^n p_i^{a_i}$ . Observe: if  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  all non-negative, then we could conclude that  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  all 0.

Assume  $\exists a_i < 0$ . Then let  $I_{(+)}/I_{(-)} = \{i : a_i > 0\}/\{i : a_i < 0\}$ . Multiply both sides to

cancel the negative exponents:  $\prod_{i \in I_{(+)}} p_i^{|a_i|} = \prod_{i \in I_{(-)}} p_i^{-a_i}$ , where  $p_i \neq p_j$  for any  $i \in I_{(+)}, j \in I_{(-)}$ .

Let  $x = \prod_{i \in I_{(+)}} p_i^{|a_i|} = \prod_{i \in I_{(-)}} p_i^{-a_i}$ . We know  $p_i > 0 \forall i \in \mathbb{N}$ ; then  $x > 0$ . Assume WLOG that  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  are integers. Then  $x \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $x > 1$ , then  $x$  is an integer with two different prime factorizations; this is impossible, therefore  $x = 1$ . Therefore  $a_1 = \dots = a_n = 0$ .  $\blacksquare$

### (\*) Prop: Dual Bases

Let  $(V, F)$  be a vector space with basis  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  and dual basis  $f_1, \dots, f_n$ . Then, for any  $v \in V$ ,  $v = \sum_{j=1}^n f_j(v) \cdot v_j$ . Additionally, for any  $g \in V^*$ ,  $g = \sum_{j=1}^n g(v_j) \cdot f_j$ .

### Def: Bilinear Forms

Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F$ . Then a bilinear form is a function  $B: V \times V \rightarrow F$  that is linear in each component, separately. (Ex: Dot product in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ )

### Remark: Bilinear Forms

Bilinear forms on  $V$  are analogous to linear maps  $V \rightarrow V^*$ , i.e.: let  $\ell: \text{Bil}(V) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(V, V^*)$ , such that for  $B \in \text{Bil}(V)$ ,  $\ell(B) = \ell_B: V \rightarrow V^*$ , where  $\ell_B(v)(u) = B(v, u)$  [ $(\ell_B(v))(u) = B(v, u)$ ].

# Eigenvectors & Diagonalization

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## Diagonalization

Let  $V$  be a vector space with basis  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ . Then for any linear transformation  $T: V \rightarrow W$ , where  $\dim W = n$  and  $\dim(\text{im}(T)) = k$ , we can find a basis  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  for  $W$  such that  $T(v_j) = w_j$  if  $j \leq k$  and  $T(v_j) = 0$  if  $j > k$ . Then the matrix of  $T$  becomes:

$$\begin{pmatrix} I^k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

A more interesting case: let  $T: V \rightarrow V$ , where we can only pick a single basis for both sides.

Given  $T: V \rightarrow V$ , can we find a basis for  $V$  such that the matrix of  $T$  is diagonal?

## Similarity

Def: We say that two linear transformations  $T_1, T_2: V \rightarrow V$  are similar if  $\exists$  bases  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  and  $u_1, \dots, u_n$  of  $V$  such that the matrix of  $T_1$  with respect to the bases  $u_1, \dots, u_n$  is equal to the matrix of  $T_2$  with respect to  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ .

## Diagonalization and Similarity

Prop: Given a matrix  $A$  and associated transformation  $T_A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $T_A$  is similar to some  $T_{\text{diagonal}}$  if, for some  $e_1, \dots, e_n$ ,  $T_A(e_j) = \alpha_j e_j$  (for some  $\alpha_j \in \mathbb{R}$ )  $\forall j$ .

## Def: Eigenvectors.

Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$ . A vector  $\vec{v} \neq 0 \in V$  is an eigenvector of  $T$  if  $T(\vec{v}) = \lambda \vec{v}$  for some scalar  $\lambda$ . Then  $\vec{v}$  is an eigenvector with the associated eigenvalue  $\lambda$ ; notably,  $\vec{v} \in \ker(T - \lambda I)$ .

## $\Rightarrow$ Diagonalization

A linear transformation  $T: V \rightarrow V$  is diagonalizable only if the eigenvectors of  $T$  form a basis for  $V$ . Otherwise, if  $\#$  eigenvectors  $< \dim V$ , we say  $T$  is non-diagonalizable.

## (\*) Bilinear Forms (cont.)

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### Recall: Isomorphisms

Def: A linear map  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is called an isomorphism if  $\exists L: W \rightarrow V$  such that  $TL = I_W$  and  $LT = I_V$ .

$V$  and  $W$  are called isomorphic if there exists an isomorphism  $V \rightarrow W$ .

### Recall: Bilinear Forms

A bilinear form  $B: V \times V \rightarrow F$  gives rise to a linear transformation  $f_B: V \rightarrow V^*$ , where  $(\rho(B))(x) = B(x, \cdot): V \rightarrow F$ . We note that all transformations  $V \rightarrow V^*$  arise in this way uniquely.

Remark:  $f_B$  is an isomorphism iff  $f_B$  is injective (since  $\dim V = \dim V^*$ ), i.e. iff  $\ker(f_B) = \{\vec{0}\}$ .

A vector  $\vec{x} \in \ker(f_B)$  iff  $f_B(\vec{x})$  is the zero function, i.e.  $B(\vec{x}, y) = 0 \forall y \in V$ .

### Degeneracy

Def: A bilinear form  $B: V \times V \rightarrow F$  is called nondegenerate if  $\forall x \neq \vec{0} \in V, \exists y \in V$  such that  $B(x, y) \neq 0$ . Equivalently:  $f_B$  is bijective.

### Nondegenerate Forms

Prop: Let  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a finite-dimensional inner product space over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a nondegenerate bilinear form.

Corollary:  $\forall g \in V^*, \exists$  unique  $x \in V$  such that  $g(y) = \langle x, y \rangle \forall y \in (V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ .

Prop: Take  $V$  as before, and let  $f: V \rightarrow V^*$  be the isomorphism determined by the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . Then a basis  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  for  $V$  is orthonormal iff its dual basis is  $(f(v_1), \dots, f(v_n))$ .

Recall: If  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis for  $V$  with dual basis  $f_1, \dots, f_n$ , then  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x)v_i \quad \forall x \in V$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Corollary: If  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  is an inner product space with orthonormal basis  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ , then

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, v_i \rangle v_i \quad \forall x \in V.$$

## Self-Adjoint Transformations

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### Lecture 12 Symmetric Matrices

The  $2 \times 2$  symmetric matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{pmatrix}$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda = \frac{a+d}{2} \pm \sqrt{(a-d)^2 + 4b^2}$  [if  $b=0 \Rightarrow$  diagonal]  $\rightarrow$  has two distinct real solutions  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ , if  $b \neq 0$ .

$\rightarrow v_1 = (1, -\frac{a-\lambda_1}{b})$ ;  $v_2 = (1, -\frac{b}{d-\lambda_2})$ . Observation:  $v_1 \perp v_2 \Rightarrow$  eigenvectors for  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{pmatrix}$  are orthogonal. Then we can find an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors.

More generally: let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $\langle A(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}), (\begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}) \rangle = \langle (\begin{pmatrix} ax_1 + by_1 \\ bx_1 + dy_1 \end{pmatrix}), (\begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}) \rangle$   
 $\rightarrow ax_1x_2 + b(y_1x_2 + x_1y_2) + dy_1y_2$ . This result is the same no matter which side of the equation  $A$  is on; i.e.  $\langle Av, w \rangle = \langle v, Aw \rangle \forall v, w$ .

$\rightarrow$  Let  $T_A$  be the linear transformation assoc. with  $A$ . Then  $\langle T_A v, w \rangle = \langle v, T_A w \rangle$ .

### Def: Self-Adjoint

A linear transformation  $T: V \rightarrow V$  is called self-adjoint if  $\langle Tv, w \rangle = \langle v, Tw \rangle \forall v, w \in V$ .

Theorem: A linear transformation  $T$  is self-adjoint if and only if its matrix representation relative to any orthonormal basis is symmetric. [Relative to one  $\Rightarrow$  relative to all]

### Eigenvectors of Self-Adjoint Transformations

Suppose  $T: V \rightarrow V$  self-adjoint,  $\dim V = n$ . Let  $\vec{v} \in V$  be an eigenvector for  $T$  ( $v \neq 0$ ). Then  $\vec{v}^\perp = \{w: \langle w, v \rangle = 0, w \in V\}$  has the property that  $T_{\vec{v}^\perp} \subset \vec{v}^\perp$ .

(+) Pmt:  $\langle \vec{w}, v \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \langle Tv, v \rangle = \langle w, T_v \rangle = \langle w, \lambda v \rangle = \lambda \langle w, v \rangle = 0 \rightarrow T_w \in \vec{v}^\perp \square$

Restricting  $T$  to  $\vec{v}^\perp$ , then the transformation  $T: \vec{v}^\perp \rightarrow \vec{v}^\perp$  is self-adjoint with respect to  $\vec{v}^\perp$ . Then we can find an eigenvector for  $T_{\vec{v}^\perp}$  orthogonal to  $\vec{v}$ ; we can do this  $n$  times. Then if we can prove  $T$  has at least 1 real eigenvalue, we can prove  $\exists$  an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors of  $T$  by induction.

## (\*) Linear Transformation Examples

UCLA Basic Exam

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Problem (S17): Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , with  $M^T$ . Show that  $\text{im}(M) = \text{im}(MM^T)$ . [im = image]

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Proof: We know  $\text{im}(MM^T) \subset \text{im}(M)$ . Then it suffices to show  $\dim(\text{im}(MM^T)) = \dim(\text{im}(M))$ ; since  $\text{rk}(M) = \text{rk}(M^T)$ , then we need only show  $\dim(\text{im}(MM^T)) = \dim(\text{im}(M^T)) = \text{rank}(M^T)$ .

To do this, we want to show  $\text{null}(MM^T) = \text{null}(M^T)$ . (Claim:  $\ker(MM^T) = \ker(M^T)$ ).

(\*) Proof: We know  $\ker(MM^T) \supset \ker(M^T)$ ; we want to show  $\ker(MM^T) \subset \ker(M^T)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } \vec{x} \in \ker(MM^T). \text{ Then } \vec{0} = \vec{x}^T \cdot \vec{0} = \vec{x}^T (MM^T \vec{x}) = (\vec{x}^T M)(M^T \vec{x}) \\ \rightarrow (M^T \vec{x})^T (M^T \vec{x}) = 0 \Rightarrow \|M^T \vec{x}\| = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{x} \in \ker(M^T). \square \end{aligned}$$

Problem (S18): Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_+$ . Show that  $e^t, e^{2t}, \dots, e^{nt}$  are linearly independent.

Proof: We want to show that claim holds  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_+$ ; proceed by induction.

Base case:  $n=1$ ; then  $e^t \neq 0 \Rightarrow \{e^t\}$  is independent.

Ind. step: Assume the claim holds for  $e^t, e^{2t}, \dots, e^{nt}$ .

Suppose  $a_1, \dots, a_{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}$  are s.t.  $\sum_{m=1}^{n+1} a_m e^{mt} = 0$ . Applying the linear map  $((n+1) \text{Id} - \frac{d}{dt})(a_n e^{nt})$ , then  $0 = ((n+1) \text{Id} - \frac{d}{dt}) \left( \sum_{m=1}^{n+1} a_m e^{mt} \right) = \sum_{m=1}^n a_m (n+1-m) e^{mt} = 0$ .

This is a linear combination of  $e^t, \dots, e^{nt}$  equating 0; then per the inductive hypothesis,  $a_1, \dots, a_n = 0$ . Then  $a_{n+1} = 0$ .  $\square$

(\*) Alternatively: Can show that  $e^t, \dots, e^{nt}$  are eigenvectors (w/ distinct eigenvalues) for the linear map  $\frac{d}{dt}$ . [namely,  $\frac{d}{dt} e^{nt} = n(e^{nt})$ ].

# The Spectral Theorem

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## The Spectral Theorem

Thm: Let  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a finite-dimensional inner product space. If a transformation  $T: V \rightarrow V$  is self-adjoint, then  $\exists$  an orthonormal basis for  $V$  of eigenvectors  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  of  $T$ .

Corollary:  $T$  is diagonalizable with respect to an orthonormal basis.

### (\*) Proof

Recall: We proved that a symmetric matrix  $A$  [corresponding to a self-adjoint transformation  $T_A$ ] has an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors if  $A$  has at least 1 real eigenvalue. Then it suffices to show that  $A$  has at least 1 real eigenvalue.

2 approaches:

- (1) Prove that if  $\exists$  a complex eigenvalue for  $A$ , then that eigenvalue must be real.
- (2) Look at the map  $\vec{x} \mapsto \langle A\vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle$ ; we claim that the vector  $\vec{x} \in \{\vec{x} : \|\vec{x}\|=1\}$  that maximizes  $\langle A\vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle$  is an eigenvector for  $A$  with a corresponding real eigenvalue.

### (\*) 2-Dimensional Case

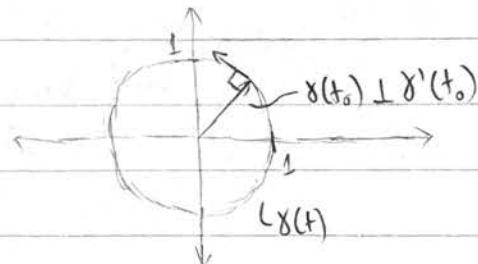
We know the set  $\{\vec{v} : \|\vec{v}\|=1\}$  is the unit sphere.

Let  $\gamma(t)$  be a parametrization of the unit circle.

Let  $A$  be the  $2 \times 2$  symmetric matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{pmatrix};$$

and let  $f(\vec{x}) = \langle A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \rangle = ax^2 + 2bx + cy^2$   $\forall \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in \gamma(t)$ . Let  $\gamma(t_0)$  be the point in  $\gamma(t)$  such that  $f(\gamma(t_0))$  is the maximum value for  $f(\vec{x})$  on  $\gamma(t)$ . Then we know  $\frac{d}{dt} f(\gamma(t)) = 0$  at  $t=t_0$  (since  $\gamma(t_0)$  is a peak/maximum).



# The Spectral Theorem (cont.)

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## (\*) 2-Dimensional Case (cont.)

(\*) Notation: Let  $\gamma(t_0) = \vec{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ ,

(cont.)

$$\text{We know } \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f(\gamma(t)) \right|_{t=t_0} = \langle \nabla f(\gamma(t)), \gamma'(t) \rangle \Big|_{t=t_0} = 0. \text{ We know } \left. \nabla f(\gamma(t)) \right|_{t_0} = \nabla \langle A\vec{x}(t), \vec{x}(t) \rangle \Big|_{t_0} = \nabla(ax^2 + 2bx + cy^2).$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f(\gamma(t)) = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (ax^2 + 2bx + cy^2), \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (ax^2 + 2bx + cy^2) \right)$$

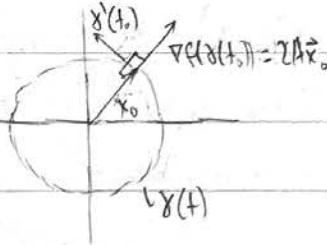
$$= 2(ax + by, bx + cy). \text{ Then } 2 \langle (ax + by, bx + cy), \gamma'(t) \rangle \Big|_{t_0} = 0; \text{ but}$$

$$(ax + by, bx + cy) = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = A\vec{x}_0. \text{ Then } \langle A\vec{x}_0, \gamma'(t) \rangle = 0;$$

Hence  $A\vec{x}_0 \perp \gamma'(t_0)$ . But we know  $\vec{x}_0 \perp \gamma'(t_0)$ ; therefore

$$A\vec{x}_0 \parallel \vec{x}_0, \text{ thus } A\vec{x}_0 = \lambda \vec{x}_0 \text{ [for some } \lambda]$$

$\Rightarrow \vec{x}_0$  is an eigenvector of  $A$ .

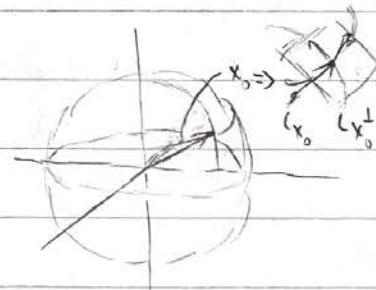


[This process is similar to Lagrange multipliers, or finding the axes of rotated ellipses].

## (\*) n-Dimensional Case

Let  $\gamma(t)$  be the unit sphere in  $n$  dimensions.

Let  $\gamma(t_0) = \vec{x}_0$  be the point on  $\gamma(t)$  where  $\langle A\vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle$  is maximized.



Then the set of vectors orthogonal to  $\vec{x}_0, \vec{x}_0^\perp$ , is a subspace of dimension  $(n-1)$ . We know  $\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle A\gamma(t), \gamma(t) \rangle \right|_{t=t_0} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} A\gamma(t), \gamma(t) \rangle + \langle A\gamma(t), \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \gamma(t) \rangle \right|_{t=t_0} = 0. \text{ [per chain rule]}$$

$= \langle A\gamma'(t), \gamma(t) \rangle + \langle A\gamma(t), \gamma'(t) \rangle$ , Since  $A$  symmetric [ $\langle v, Av \rangle = \langle Av, v \rangle$ ], we can move  $A$ :

$$\Rightarrow \left. 2 \langle \gamma'(t), A\gamma(t) \rangle \right|_{t=t_0} = 0. \text{ Then } A\vec{x}_0 \perp \gamma'(t_0) \wedge \{ \gamma : \gamma(t_0) = \vec{x}_0, \gamma(t) = \text{unit sphere} \}.$$

Since  $\vec{x}_0 \perp \gamma'(t_0) \wedge \gamma'(t_0) \perp A\vec{x}_0 \Rightarrow A\vec{x}_0 = \lambda \vec{x}_0$ .

# Multilinear Forms

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## Lecture 14 Multilinear Forms

Def: A multilinear form is a function that is linear in each variable, separately.

Interesting case: Want to look at multilinear forms on  $V$  (dim  $V = n$ ) of the form  $f: V^n \rightarrow F$  that are skew-symmetric/alternating (i.e.  $f(v_1, \dots, v_i, v_j, \dots, v_n) = -f(v_1, \dots, v_j, v_i, \dots, v_n)$ ).

Ex:  $w(e_1, e_2)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Know  $w(e_1, e_1) = -w(e_2, e_2) \Rightarrow w(e_1, e_2) = 0$ . Then  $w(e_1, e_2)$  determines  $w: w(ae_1 + be_2, ce_1 + de_2) = (ad - bc)(w(e_1, e_2)) = \det(A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}) w(e_1, e_2)$ .  
(We have "defined" a determinant without using matrices, i.e. take  $w(e_1, e_2) \mapsto \det\left(\frac{v_1}{v_2}\right) = w(v_1, v_2)$ ).

→ Set of 2-multilinear alternating forms  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is one-dimensional, determined by  $w(e_1, e_2)$ ; determinant  $= w(v_1, v_2)$ , if we take  $w(e_1, e_2) = 1$ .  
⇒  $n$ -multilinear alternating forms determined by  $w(v_1, \dots, v_n)$  [ $v_1, \dots, v_n$  independent vectors chosen arbitrarily in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ].

### (\*) Signum

Motivation:  $w(e_1, e_2, e_3), w(e_3, e_2, e_1)$ : different permutations of  $e_1, e_2, e_3$  [after swaps]

→ Define  $\text{sgn}(\sigma)$ : 1 if the # of swaps is even, -1 if the # of swaps is odd

$$\{1, \dots, n\} \xrightarrow{\quad} \{\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(n)\}$$

(\*) Proof:  $\sigma$  is well-defined (i.e. for any given permutation,  $\exists$  only 1 value for  $\sigma$ ).

Look at permutation:  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\} \xrightarrow{\quad} \{\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(n)\}$ . Then the number of inversions is the number of instances where  $i < j$  but  $\sigma(i) > \sigma(j)$  [alt:  $\sigma(i) > \sigma(i+1)$ ] for the permutation  $\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(n)$ . Then  $(-1)^{\# \text{ inversions}} = \text{sgn}(\sigma)$ .

→  $w(e_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, e_{\sigma(n)}) = \underbrace{\text{sgn}(\sigma) w(e_1, \dots, e_n)}_{\text{determines } w}$

# Matrices of Linear Maps

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## Matrix Representations of Linear Maps

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Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map; let  $V, W$  be vector spaces with ordered bases  $B = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and  $\gamma = (y_1, \dots, y_r)$ , respectively.

→ Define the  $m \times n$  matrix  $[T]_B^\gamma = (a_{ij})$ , where  $T(x_i) = \sum_{j=1}^r a_{ij} y_j$ .

(\*) Ex: Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$ . (Claim:  $\exists$  ordered bases  $B, \gamma$  such that  $[T]_B^\gamma$  is diagonal with only 0s and 1s on the diagonal. [Note:  $[T]_B^\gamma$  need not be square; call  $[T]_B^\gamma$  "diagonal" if  $a_{ij}=0 \forall i \neq j$ ])

(\*) Proof: Begin by choosing a basis  $(y_1, \dots, y_r)$  for  $\text{im}(T) \subset W$ . Then its extension  $\gamma = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$  is a basis for  $W$ . Choose  $(x_1, \dots, x_r)$  in  $V$  such that  $y_i = T(x_i) \forall 1 \leq i \leq r$ . Next, choose a basis  $(x_{r+1}, \dots, x_n)$  for  $\ker(T)$ . Then  $B = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is a basis for  $V$  &  $[T]_B^\gamma$  as desired. □

(\*) Ex: Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$ . (Claim:  $\exists$  a basis  $B$  such that  $[T]_B$  (i.e.  $[T]_B^B$ ) as before, if and only if  $T^2 = T$  [ $T$  is a linear projection].

(\*) Proof:

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose  $\exists B$  with  $[T]_B$  as before. Let  $B = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ . Then  $T(x_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ji} x_j = a_{ii} x_i, a_{ji} \in \{0, 1\}$ . We claim that  $[T^2]_B = [T]_B$ .  $T^2(x_i) = T(T(x_i)) = T(a_{ii} x_i) = a_{ii} T(x_i) = a_{ii}^2 x_i = T(x_i)$ . □

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose  $T^2 = T$ . (Choose a basis  $(x_1, \dots, x_r)$  for  $\text{im}(T)$  and  $(x_{r+1}, \dots, x_n)$  for  $\ker(T)$ ). We claim  $B = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is a basis for  $V$  w/  $[T]_B$  as desired. Let  $z_i \in V$  be such that  $T(z_i) = x_i$ . Then  $x_i = T(z_i) = T^2(z_i) = T(x_i)$ . □

(\*) Def: Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$ . Then a subspace  $W \subset V$  is called  $T$ -invariant if  $T(W) \subset W$ .

## Multilinear Forms (cont.)

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### Lecture 15 Multilinear Forms (cont.)

Let  $\omega: V^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  [dim  $V = n$ ] be an alternating multilinear form. Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be a basis for  $V$ , and assume  $\omega(v_1, \dots, v_n) = 1$ . [ $\Rightarrow \omega$  analogous to  $\det$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ].

Proposition: For any  $w_1, \dots, w_n \in V$ :  $\omega(w_1, \dots, w_n) = 0 \Leftrightarrow w_1, \dots, w_n$  dependent.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Proof

( $\Leftarrow$ ) follows from multilinearity ( $\text{dependent} \Rightarrow$  contains a term in  $\omega(w_1, \dots, w_n)$  to 0).

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Want to prove contrapositive:  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  independent  $\Rightarrow \omega(w_1, \dots, w_n) \neq 0$ .

Assume WLOG that  $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ . We know we can represent each  $w_i \in V$

relative to  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ :  $w_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} v_j$ .

$$\Rightarrow \omega(w_1, \dots, w_n) = \omega((a_{11}, \dots, a_{1n}), \dots, (a_{n1}, \dots, a_{nn}))$$

$\rightarrow$  Analogous to a matrix:  $(\omega) \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$ .

We know: (i) Interchanging "rows" [vectors] preserves nonzero  $\omega$

(ii) Adding multiples of rows to each other does not affect  $\omega$

(iii) Scalar multiplying rows, scalar multiplies  $\omega$

We can reduce  $\omega((a_{11}, \dots, a_{1n}), \dots, (a_{n1}, \dots, a_{nn}))$  to "RREF" [since  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  are independent] with the above operations. Then:

$$\omega(w_1, \dots, w_n) = \underset{\text{"nonzero factors"} \cdot}{\omega(I_n)} \neq 0. \quad \square$$

$$[\underset{\text{"nonzero factors"} \cdot}{\omega(v_1, \dots, v_n)} = \underset{\text{"nonzero factors"} \cdot}{\omega(I_n)}]$$

Consequence: The following are equivalent: (i)  $A$  is invertible,

(ii)  $\det(A) \neq 0$ ,

(iii) The rows of  $A$  are independent,

(iv) The columns of  $A$  are independent.

## (\*) Matrix Examples

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Problem: Show that for every  $3 \times 3$  orthogonal matrix  $A$ ,  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}^3$  s.t.  $x \neq 0$  and  $A\hat{x} = \pm \hat{x}$ .

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(\*) Proof: Recall: "Orthogonal"  $\Leftrightarrow$  preserves inner products, lengths. (Note: Orthogonal matrix  $\Rightarrow$  real)

We want to find an eigenvector for  $A$  with eigenvalue  $\pm 1$ . First: VTS  $\exists$  an eigenvector.

Recall: square matrix singular (not invertible) iff  $\det B = 0$ . Since eigenvectors are nonzero solutions to the equations  $(A - \lambda I)\vec{v} = 0$ , then  $A$  has eigenvectors iff  $\det(A - \lambda I)$  has roots.

Observe:  $\det(A - \lambda I)$  is a cubic polynomial w/ leading coefficient 1. Then

$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow -\infty} \det(A - \lambda I) = -\infty$ ;  $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \det(A - \lambda I) = +\infty$ . Then per the Intermediate Value Theorem

[calculus],  $\exists \lambda_0$  s.t.  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow \exists$  an eigenvector  $\vec{v}$ .

$A$  orthogonal  $\Rightarrow \langle v, v \rangle = \langle v, Av \rangle \Rightarrow \langle v, v \rangle = \langle v, \lambda v \rangle \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 1$ .  $\square$

Problem: Is there a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A \in F^{3 \times 3}$  over  $F$  such that  $A^3 \neq 0$ , but  $A^4 = 0$ ? [A: No]

(\*) Proof: Assume, for the sake of contradiction, that  $A \in F^{3 \times 3}$  is such a matrix. Since  $A^3 \neq 0$ ,  $\exists x \in F^3$ ,  $x \neq 0$  such that  $A^3 x \neq 0$ . [Ex: Take  $e_1, e_2, e_3$ ; one of them will satisfy  $A^3 e_i \neq 0$ ].

(Claim:  $(x, Ax, A^2x, A^3x)$  are linearly independent.)

(\*) Proof: Suppose  $a_0, \dots, a_3 \in F$  s.t.  $\sum_{i=0}^3 a_i A^i x = 0$ . Then  $0 = A^3 \cdot 0 \Rightarrow A^3 (\sum_{i=0}^3 a_i A^i x) = 0$ ; since  $A^3 (A^i x) = 0 \forall i \geq 1$ , then  $a_0 A^0 x = 0$ . But  $A^0 x \neq 0 \Rightarrow a_0 = 0$ . Repeat argument for  $a_1, a_2, a_3$ .

Then  $(x, Ax, A^2x, A^3x)$  are an independent set of size 4 inside a 3-dimensional space [contradiction].  $\square$

# Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

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Lecture 16

Q: Given linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  with corresponding matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , is it possible to find a basis that makes  $A$  diagonal?  $\left[ T(a_1, \dots, a_n) = A \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \right]$

$\Rightarrow$  Let  $T^A: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  be the linear transformation defined by  $T^A(a_1, \dots, a_n) = A \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$ .

We know we can find an eigenvalue  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $T$  if we can find a real root for  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

$\rightarrow$  We can find an eigenvalue for  $T^A$  if we can find a root  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  for  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ .

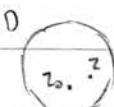
Prop: For any  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  (or  $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ ),  $\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue for  $A$ .

(\*) Reason: We know  $\det(A - \lambda I)$  is a polynomial  $p(\lambda)$  of degree  $n > 0$ .

$\rightarrow$  Per the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra,  $p(\lambda)$  has a complex root.

(\*) Proof: Let  $D$  be a closed disk with radius  $R$  large enough that  $p$  attains its minimum on  $D$  ( $\exists z_0 \in D$  s.t.  $|p(z)| \leq |p(z)| \forall z \in D$ )

Claim:  $p(z_0) = 0$ .  $|p(z_0)|$



(\*) Proof: Assume  $p(z_0) \neq 0$ . Then for  $z \in D$ :  $p(z) = p((z-z_0) + z_0)$

$\rightarrow p(z) = p(z_0) + a_k(z-z_0)^k + \dots + a_n(z-z_0)^n$ . For  $z$  near  $z_0$ , higher-order terms drop

out  $\rightarrow p(z) \approx p(z_0) + a_k(z-z_0)^k$ ,  $(z-z_0) \neq 0$ . Namely:  $\left| \frac{p(z) - p(z_0) + a_k(z-z_0)^k}{(z-z_0)^{k+1}} \right| \leq M$  for

some  $M > 0$  in some neighborhood of  $z_0$ . Rearranging terms:

$$|p(z)| \leq |p(z_0) + a_k(z-z_0)^k| + M|(z-z_0)|^{k+1}$$

For  $(z-z_0)$  sufficiently small, can find  $z$  s.t.  $a_k(z-z_0)^k < 0$ ,  $|a_k(z-z_0)^k| > |M(z-z_0)|^{k+1}|$

$$\rightarrow |p(z)| \leq |p(z_0) + a_k(z-z_0)^k| + M|(z-z_0)|^{k+1} < |p(z_0)|. \square$$

(\*) Misc. Notes

MT Review

Misc. Notes

Claim: Matrix  $M(T^*)$  of  $T^*: W^* \rightarrow V^*$  is  $M(T^*) = (M(T))^T$ ,  $T: V \rightarrow W$ .

Proof: Let  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  standard basis for  $V$ ,  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m$  dual basis for standard basis on  $W$ .

$$\rightarrow (M(T))_{ij} = \theta_i(T(e_j)) = \theta_i(\varphi_i(e_j)) \quad [\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n \text{ dual basis for } e_1, \dots, e_n \text{ on } V]$$

$$\text{Observe: } \theta_i(T(e_j)) = (T^*(\theta_i))(e_j) = \varphi_i(T^*(\theta_i)) = (M(T^*))_{ji}, \quad (M(T))^T_{ji} = (M(T^*))_{ji}. \quad \square$$

Claim: Row rank = column rank.

Proof: Know: column rank of  $T = \dim(\text{im}(T))$ ,  $[T: V \rightarrow W, \dim V = n, \dim W = m]$

Row rank of  $T = \text{column rank of } T^* = \dim(\text{im}(T^*))$ .

Recall:  $\ker(T^*) = \text{ann}(T(V))$ ,  $\dim(\text{ann}(T(V))) = \dim W - \dim T(V)$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \dim(\text{im}(T^*)) &= \dim W^* - \dim \ker T^* \\ &= \dim V^* - \dim(\text{ann}(T(V))) \\ &= \dim V^* - (\dim V - \dim(\text{im}(T))) = \dim(\text{im}(T)). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

r preview: Jordan form

Claim: Any  $2 \times 2$  matrix in  $\mathbb{C}$  is either diagonalizable or can be placed into the form  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda^2 \\ 0 \lambda \end{pmatrix}$ .

Proof: Case 1: Matrix  $A$  has 2 distinct eigenvalues  $\rightarrow$  diagonalizable.

Case 2: Matrix  $A$  has only 1 eigenvalue.

2(a):  $A$  has 2 independent eigenvectors  $\rightarrow$  diagonalizable.

2(b):  $A$  has only 1 eigenvector. Let  $v$  be the eigenvector w/ eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

$\rightarrow$  Can find  $y \notin \ker(A - \lambda I)$ ; observe:  $v, y$  independent  $\rightarrow$  form a basis.

$\rightarrow (A - \lambda I)y = av + bw$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{C} \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)^2 y = b(A - \lambda I)y$

$\rightarrow A(A - \lambda I)y = (b + \lambda)(A - \lambda I)y \rightarrow b + \lambda$  eigenvalue for  $A$ .

But  $\lambda$  is the only eigenvalue  $\Rightarrow b = 0 \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)y = av$ .

Let  $\bar{y} = \frac{1}{a}y \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)\bar{y} = v \Rightarrow A\bar{y} = v + \lambda\bar{y}$ .

$\rightarrow$  Matrix of  $A$ :  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$ .  $\square$

## Diagonalization (cont.)

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Lecture 17

Lemma: Let  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  be eigenvectors associated with distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ . Then  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  are linearly independent.

Corollary: If a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues (i.e.  $\det(A - \lambda I)$  has  $n$  distinct roots), then  $A$  is diagonalizable. [Note: converse does not hold!]

(\*) Proof: Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be eigenvectors for  $A$ , with  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  all distinct. Assume, for the sake of contradiction, that  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are dependent. Then we can find a shortest relation  $\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n = 0$  [ $k \leq n$ ]. We know:  $T(\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n) = \alpha_1 \lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n \lambda_n v_n = 0$ .

Also know:  $(\lambda_1)(\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n) = \alpha_1 \lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n \lambda_1 v_n$ . Subtract  $(T - \lambda_1 I)(\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n)$ .

$\alpha_1 (\lambda_1 - \lambda_1) v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n (\lambda_1 - \lambda_1) v_n = 0$ . Then  $\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n$  was not the shortest relation.  $\square$

(\*) Note: we know  $\lambda_i - \lambda_j \neq 0 \forall i \neq j$  because we assumed  $\lambda$ s distinct

Def: Eigenspace

Let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue for a matrix  $A$ . Then we define the eigenspace for  $\lambda$ :  $E_\lambda = \ker(A - \lambda I)$ , containing all linear combinations of eigenvectors of  $A$  associated with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

(\*) Diagonalization

Fact: For any matrix  $A$  that is not diagonalizable, we can find another matrix  $A'$  arbitrarily close to  $A$  that is diagonalizable. [ $A, A' \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ]

(\*) Formally: for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists A'$  such that  $|a_{ij} - \delta_{ij}| < \epsilon \forall i, j$  and  $A'$  has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues.

(\*) Consequence: Non-diagonalizable matrices are "sparse".

→ Applied cases: Every matrix is, for practical purposes, "diagonalizable"; we want perfect solutions to remove uncertainty/error, avoid unstable equilibria.

(\*) Ex: Eigenvectors for "nearly the same" eigenvalues (only very slightly different); may "converge"

# Jordan Form

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Lecture 17

## Representing Non-Diagonalizable Matrices

In the case of non-diagonalizable matrices, we can still represent them in an "almost diagonal" form: Jordan canonical form.

(cont.)

↳ Builds matrices from Jordan blocks:  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$  [ $\lambda$  some eigenvalue]

→ For any  $T^c$ , can find a basis  $B$  such that  $[T]_B$  in Jordan form:

$$[T^c]_B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Jordan blocks for eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$

(\*) Ex:  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \begin{matrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{matrix} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \begin{matrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{matrix} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  [matrix in Jordan form]  
 $\lambda_1=2$   
 $\lambda_2=2$   
 $\lambda_3=3$

## (\*) Properties of Jordan Form

- (i) Each block is independent of the others
- (ii) Ordering does not matter - blocks can be switched around freely, e.g.
- (iii) Every eigenvalue has at least 1 associated block, may have multiple

## Finding Jordan Forms

In order to find a Jordan form for  $T: V \rightarrow V$ , need to split  $V = \mathbb{C}^n$  into pieces [Jordan blocks]/subspaces corresponding to eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ :

Idea: Use eigenspaces  $E_{\lambda_i} = \ker(A - \lambda_i I)$ .

We know:  $\ker(A - \lambda_i I) \subset \ker(A - \lambda_i I)^2 \subset \dots$  eventually stabilizes to some matrix

→ union of  $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I), \ker(A - \lambda_2 I), \dots$  = generalized eigenspace for  $\lambda$ ;

## (\*) Eigenspace Examples

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Disc 12 Problem: Let  $A \in F^{n \times n}$  w/  $\text{char}(F) \neq 2$ . Suppose  $A^2 = I$ . Show that  $A$  is diagonalizable; check for  $\text{char}(F) = 2$ .

(a) Observe:  $A^2 - I = (A + I)(A - I) = 0 \rightarrow \text{one of } \ker(A + I), \ker(A - I) \text{ nontrivial}.$  Per

Rank-Nullity:  $n = \text{rk}(A - I) + N(A - I) \leq N(A + I) + N(A - I)$ . Since  $I \neq -I$  [ $\text{char}(F) \neq 2$ ], then these are distinct eigenspaces w/ eigenvalues  $\pm 1$ , s.t.  $P_1 \cup P_2$  are independent and span  $F^n$ ; thus  $\exists$  basis of eigenvectors of  $A \rightarrow A$  diagonalizable.  $\square$

(b) Consider: ( $\circ$ ): Then  $A^2 = I$ , but Jordan block size  $> 1 \Rightarrow$  not diagonalizable.

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F21 #7: Let  $A, B \in C^{n \times n}$  such that  $AB = BA$ . Show that  $A, B$  share an eigenvector.

Since  $F = C$ , then per F.T. of Algebra:  $\det(A - \lambda I), \det(B - \lambda I)$  have at least 1 root [eigenvalue].

Let  $x_0 \in C^n$  be an eigenvector of  $A$  ( $Ax_0 = \lambda x_0$ ). matrices commute  $\Rightarrow$  preserve eigenspaces

Let  $E_\lambda$  be the eigenspace  $E_\lambda = \{x \in C : Ax = \lambda x\}$ . (Claim:  $B(E_\lambda) \subseteq E_\lambda$  (i.e.,  $E_\lambda$   $B$ -invariant).)

(\*) Proof: Let  $x \in E_\lambda$ . Then  $A(Bx) = B(Ax) = B(\lambda x) = \lambda Bx \rightarrow Bx \in E_\lambda$ .  $\square$

Then  $B(E_\lambda) \subset E_\lambda \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $B|_{E_\lambda}$  [ $B : E_\lambda \rightarrow E_\lambda$ ] has an eigenvector (per F.T. of Alg.)  $x \in E_\lambda$ , such

that  $Bx = \lambda_2 x$ . Since  $x \in E_\lambda$ ,  $x$  is an eigenvector for both  $A, B$ .  $\square$

F17 #2: Let  $A, B \in F^{n \times n}$  s.t.  $A$  invertible; show that  $AB, BA$  have the same eigenvalues

w/ the same geometric multiplicities (i.e. dim  $E_\lambda$ 's).

Observation: Let  $C, D$  square,  $C$  invertible; then  $\ker(CD) = \ker(D) \wedge \ker(DC) = C^{-1} \cdot \ker(D)$ .

$\rightarrow \text{null}(CD) = \text{null}(D) = \text{null}(DC)$ .

Compare  $\text{null}(AB - \lambda I), \text{null}(BA - \lambda I)$ ,  $\text{null}(BA - \lambda I) = \text{null}(A(BA - \lambda I))$

$= \text{null}(A(BA - \lambda I)A^{-1}) = \text{null}(AB - \lambda I)$  for any  $\lambda \in F$ .

# Matrix Polynomials

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Lecture 18

## Polynomials of Matrices

We know we can take exponents of linear transformations, e.g.  $T: \vec{x} \mapsto A\vec{x} \Rightarrow T^2: \vec{x} \mapsto A^2\vec{x}$ .

Recall: polynomials with coefficients in  $\mathbb{F}$  form a ring of expressions  $p(x) = a_nx^n + \dots + a_0$ .

→ Can define a map  $\{p(a)\} \rightarrow \text{Hom}(V, V)$  by, given  $T: V \rightarrow V$ , mapping:

$$p(x) = a_nx^n + \dots + a_0 \mapsto p(T) = a_nT^n + \dots + a_1T + a_0I_n$$

is a ring homomorphism

→ Q: Does  $\exists p(x) \neq 0$  such that  $p(T) = 0$ ? [Answer: Yes]

Theorem (Cayley-Hamilton): Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix, and let  $p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$ .  
Then  $p(A) = 0$ .

### (\*) Proof (pt. 1)

Claim: For any matrix  $A$ ,  $\exists$  a polynomial  $p(x)$  such that  $p(x) \neq 0$ , but  $p(A)$  is the zero transformation.

Proof: Let  $A$  be the matrix corresponding to  $T: V \rightarrow V$ . Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be a basis for  $V$ .

For each  $v_i$ , we want a polynomial  $p_i(x)$  such that  $p_i \neq 0$ , but  $p_i(A)v_i = \vec{0}$ .

Look at the set of vectors  $v_i, Tv_i, \dots, T^n v_i$ . Since there are  $n+1$  vectors in the set (and  $\dim V = n$ ),

therefore  $\exists a_0, \dots, a_n \neq 0$  such that  $a_0v_i + \dots + a_nT^n v_i = \vec{0}$ . Set the polynomial

$$p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n; \text{ then } p_i(T)v_i = \vec{0} \quad [\text{but } p_i(x) \neq 0]$$

We can find such a polynomial  $p_i$  for every vector  $v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Define

$p_A(x) = p_1(x)p_2(x)\dots p_n(x)$  to be the product of the polynomials  $p_1, \dots, p_n$ .

Then  $p_A(x) \neq 0$ , but for any  $v_i$ ,  $p_A(A)v_i = (p_1(A)\dots p_n(A))(p_i(A)v_i) = \vec{0}$ .  $\square$

(\*) Note:  $\deg(p_A) = n^2$ ; eventually, we want a polynomial of degree  $n$ .

## Matrix Polynomials (cont.)

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### Lecture 18 (\* ) Proof (Pt. 2)

Claim: The minimal polynomial [polynomial of least degree]  $p(x) \neq 0$  s.t.  $p(A) = 0$  is unique.

#### (\*) Proof

Lemma: Suppose  $P(x)$  is the minimal polynomial. Let  $Q(x)$  be a polynomial such that  $Q(x) \neq 0$ , but  $Q(A) = 0$ . Then  $P \mid Q$ , i.e.  $\exists Q_1(x)$  such that  $Q = Q_1 \cdot P$ .

Observation:  $(Q \cdot P)(T) = 0$  for any polynomial  $Q$  [ $(Q \cdot P)(T) = Q(P(T)) = Q(0)$ ].

#### (\*) Polynomial Division

Let  $P(x), Q(x)$  be two polynomials such that  $\deg Q \geq \deg P$ . Then  $\exists$  polynomials  $Q_1(x)$ ,  $R(x)$  ( $\deg R < \deg P$ ) such that  $Q = Q_1 P + R$ ,

#### (\*) Proof

Case 1:  $\deg Q = \deg P \Rightarrow$  trivial

Case 2:  $\deg Q > \deg P \Rightarrow$  take  $Q_1 = \alpha x^k$  ( $k = \deg Q - \deg P$ )

Let  $P(x)$  be the minimal polynomial. Let  $Q(x) \neq 0$  be a polynomial such that  $Q(A) = 0$ ; then  $\deg Q \geq \deg P$ . Then  $\exists$  polynomials  $Q_1, R$  such that  $Q = Q_1 P + R$ .

Since  $Q(T) = 0 = Q_1(P(T)) + R(T) = 0 + R(T)$ , therefore  $R(x) = 0$  [since  $\deg R < \deg P$ ].

Then  $Q = Q_1 P$ ; then either  $\deg Q_1 > 0 \Rightarrow \deg Q > \deg P$  (i.e.  $Q$  is not a minimal polynomial), or  $\deg Q_1 = 0 \Rightarrow Q_1$  is a scalar multiple of  $P$ .  $\square$

(Proof continues until p. 42)

## (\*) Diagonalization Examples

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Problem: Suppose  $T: V \rightarrow V$  is a diagonalizable linear operator on fin. dim. V.S.  $V$  over  $\mathbb{F}$ . If  $W \subset V$  is a nonzero  $T$ -invariant subspace, show that  $T|_W$  is diagonalizable.

We want to find a basis for  $W$  of eigenvectors for  $T|_W$ . Then it suffices to find any finite set of eigenvectors for  $T|_W$  spanning  $W$ . Claim: Let  $x_1, \dots, x_r \in V$  be  $T$ -eigenvectors with distinct eigenvalues. Then if  $\sum_{i=1}^r x_i \in W$ , then  $x_1, \dots, x_r \in W$ .

(\*) Proof: By induction. Base case:  $r=1$  [trivial]. Inductive step: Since  $T(W) \subset W$  and  $(\lambda_1 \cdot I)(W) \subset W$ , then  $(T - \lambda_1 \cdot I)(W) \subset W$ . Let  $x \in W$  s.t.  $x = \sum_{i=1}^r x_i$ . Then  $(T - \lambda_1 \cdot I)(\sum_{i=1}^r x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^r (T - \lambda_1 \cdot I)(x_i) = \sum_{i=2}^r (\lambda_i - \lambda_1)x_i = \sum_{i=2}^r (\lambda_i - \lambda_1)x_i$  (we have reduced the sum by 1 term).

Through induction, we can keep reducing to find  $x_2, \dots, x_r \in W$ . Then  $(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)x_2, \dots, (\lambda_r - \lambda_1)x_r \in W \Rightarrow x \in W$ .  $\square$

Choose a basis  $y_1, \dots, y_m$  for  $W$ ; since  $T$  is diagonalizable on  $V$ , then for each  $y_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ), we can find eigenvectors  $x_{i,1}, \dots, x_{i,r_i}$  w/ distinct eigenvalues s.t.  $y_i = \sum_{j=1}^{r_i} x_{i,j}$ ; then  $x_{i,j} \in W \forall i, j$ . Then  $W = \text{span}\{y_1, \dots, y_m\} = \text{span}\{x_{1,1}, \dots, x_{m,r_m}\}$ , i.e.  $W$  is spanned by eigenvectors of  $T$ .  $\square$

Problem: Let  $T, S: V \rightarrow V$  be diagonalizable lin. ops. such that  $T \circ S = S \circ T$ . Show that  $S, T$  are simultaneously diagonalizable, i.e.  $\exists$  basis  $B$  for  $V$  s.t.  $[S]_B, [T]_B$  are both diagonal.

Recall:  $S, T$  commute  $\Rightarrow S, T$  preserve each other's eigenspaces.

Observe: Let  $x$  be an eigenvector of  $S$ , s.t.  $Sx = \lambda x$ . Then  $S(Tx) = TSx = \lambda Tx$ .

Since  $S$  is diagonalizable, we know  $\exists$  distinct  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$  s.t.  $V = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r E_{\lambda_i}$ , and that each  $E_{\lambda_i}$  is  $T$ -invariant. Since  $T$  diagonalizable, then  $T|_{E_{\lambda_i}}$  is diagonalizable  $\forall 1 \leq i \leq r$ . For each  $1 \leq i \leq r$ , we can choose a basis  $\{x_{i,1}, \dots, x_{i,s_i}\}$  for  $E_{\lambda_i}$  of eigenvectors for  $T|_{E_{\lambda_i}}$ . Then  $B = (x_{1,1}, \dots, x_{r,s_r})$  is a basis for  $V$ . Since each vector in the basis is an eigenvector of  $S$ , then  $B$  is an eigenbasis for  $S$ ; since each vector is an eigenvector for  $T|_{E_{\lambda_i}}$  for some  $i$ , then  $B$  is an eigenbasis for  $T$ .  $\square$

# Matrix Exponentials

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## Lecture 19 Matrix Exponentials

Recall:  $e^x [\exp(x)] = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots$

→ Def. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Then we define the matrix exponential  $\exp(A)$ :

$$e^A = I_n + A + \frac{1}{2!} A^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} A^n + \dots \quad \left[ = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i!} A^i \right]$$

Intuition:  $e^A$  eventually converges  $\Rightarrow$  where?

## Operator Norm

Def. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Then we define the operator norm of  $A$ :  $\|A\| := \sup\{\|T_A \vec{v}\| : \|\vec{v}\|=1\}$

Observation:  $\|A\| \geq |a_{ij}| \forall a_{ij}$  in  $A$  ( $\|A\|$  is a "bound" on the elements in  $A$ )

Prop.  $\|AB\| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|B\|$ .

(\*) Proof:  $\|AB\| \leq \|A(B\vec{v})\|$ . Know:  $\|B\vec{v}\| \leq \|B\| \cdot \|\vec{v}\|$ .

$$\Rightarrow \|AB\| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|B\| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|B\| \cdot \|\vec{v}\|.$$

Corollary:  $e^{tA}$  converges ( $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ).

(\*) Proof: We know  $\|A^n\| \leq \|A\|^n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  from the proposition. Additionally, we know

$(A^n)_{ij} \leq \|A^n\| \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ any element } i,j$ . Then we can show each element converges:

$$(e^{tA})_{ij} = I_{ij} + (tA)_{ij} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} (tA)^n_{ij} \leq 1 + \|A\| + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} \|A\|^n = e^{\|A\| t}. \square$$

(\*) Note: Each element of  $e^{tA}$  is a differentiable function of  $t$ . [Analysis]

## (\*) Matrix Logarithms

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Then  $\exists B = \log(A)$  [i.e.  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  s.t.  $e^B = A$ ] only if  $e^A$  is invertible, and

$B$  is a matrix of the form  $B = I + C$  [ $\|C\|$  small;  $\|C\| \leq 1$ , e.g.].

(\*) Analogy:  $\ln(1+x)$  only exists if  $|x| < 1 \Rightarrow \ln(1+x) = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots$  (apply to matrices)

## (\*) Jordan Form & Diagonalization Examples

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Problem: Suppose  $T, S: V \rightarrow V$  are linear operators on fin. dim.  $V$  over  $F$  s.t.  $T$  has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues and  $T, S$  commute. Show that  $S$  is diagonalizable.

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Recall:  $T, S$  commute  $\Rightarrow$  preserve eigenspaces

$$\text{Observe: } \dim E_{\lambda_i} = 1 \quad \forall \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \quad [\dim \bigoplus E_{\lambda_i} = \sum_{i=1}^n \dim E_{\lambda_i} = n]$$

Claim:  $T$ -eigenvectors span 1D  $S$ -dimensional subspaces.

(\*) Proof: Pick  $T$ -eigenbasis  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  for  $V$  s.t.  $T(x_i) = \lambda_i x_i$ . We know  $E_{\lambda_i} = \text{span}\{x_i\}$

and  $S(E_{\lambda_i}) \subset E_{\lambda_i} = \text{span}\{x_i\} \rightarrow S(x_i) \in \text{span}\{x_i\} \rightarrow x_i$  is an eigenvector for  $S$ .  $\square$

## Jordan Canonical Form

Recall: Given matrix  $A \in F^{N \times N}$ , we obtain a linear map  $L_A: F^n \rightarrow F^n$  defined by  $L_A(x) = Ax$ . If  $S = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  standard basis for  $F^n$ , then  $[L_A]_S = A$ .

Recall: Given composable linear maps  $U \xrightarrow{T} V \xrightarrow{S} W$  and finite bases  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  for  $U, V, W$  (respectively)

$$\rightarrow [S \circ T]_{\gamma}^{\alpha} = [S]_{\beta}^{\gamma} \cdot [T]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$$

(\*) Recall: For any basis  $\beta$  of fin. dim.  $V$ ,  $[I \otimes v]_{\beta} = I$ .

$\rightarrow$  Lemma: Let  $\beta, \gamma$  bases for fin. dim.  $V$ ; then  $[I \otimes v]_{\gamma}^{\beta} = ([I \otimes v]_{\beta}^{\gamma})^{-1}$ . [Change of coordinates]

Problem: Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$ . Show that  $A, A^T$  are similar.

Choose Jordan basis  $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \dots \cup \beta_r$ , where  $\beta_i = \{x_{i1}, \dots, x_{is_i}\}$  and  $\exists \lambda_i \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$Ax_{ij} \begin{cases} \lambda_i x_{i,j+1} & i = 1 \\ x_{i,j-1} + \lambda_i x_{i,j} & j > 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{Let } Q = [I \otimes \beta]_{\beta}^{\beta}, \text{ where } \beta \text{ is the standard basis.}$$

$\beta_i$  reversed

$$A = [L_A]_{\beta}^{\beta} = [I \otimes \beta]_{\beta}^{\beta} [A]_{\beta}^{\beta} [I \otimes \beta]_{\beta}^{\beta} = Q [L_A]_{\beta}^{\beta} Q^{-1}. \text{ Let } \gamma = \gamma_1 \cup \dots \cup \gamma_r, \gamma_i = (x_{i1}, \dots, x_{i-1}).$$

$$\text{Want: } A_{ij} = Ax_{i(j-1)} \begin{cases} \lambda_i x_{i,j+1} & i = 1 \\ x_{i,j-1} + \lambda_i x_{i,j} & j > 1 \end{cases} \rightarrow [L_A]_{\gamma}^{\gamma} = ([L_A]_{\beta}^{\beta})^T = (Q^{-1}AQ)^T$$

$$\rightarrow = Q^T A^T (Q^T)^{-1}$$

# Polynomial Algebra

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## Polynomial Algebra

Recall (Euclid's Algorithm):  $\gcd(a, b) [a > b] = \gcd(b, a \bmod b)$

→ Consequence:  $\gcd(a, b) = ax + by$  for some  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Euclid's Algorithm works for polynomials:  $\gcd(P_1, P_2) = D(x)$ , such that  $D = A_1 P_1 + A_2 P_2$   
for some  $A_1, A_2$  polynomials (Notation:  $P_1 | Q \Rightarrow Q = A \cdot P_1$ )

### (\*) Euclid's Algorithm for Polynomials

Let  $P_1, P_2$  polynomials;  $\deg P_1 \geq \deg P_2$ .  
 $\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{by } P_2 \leq \deg P_1 \\ \text{by } P_2 < \deg P_2 \end{array} \right)$

→  $P_1 = QP_2 + R$  ( $\deg R < \deg P_2$ )  $\Rightarrow \gcd(P_1, P_2) = \gcd(P_2, R)$

→ Continue until  $R=0$ ; then preceding  $R$  is the gcd (up to constant scalar multiple).

"relatively prime"

Corollary:  $\gcd(P_1, P_2) = 1$  (no common factors)  $\Rightarrow 1 = A_1 P_1 + A_2 P_2$

(\*) Ex:  $P_1 = (x-\lambda_1)^k, P_2 = (x-\lambda_2)^k$  [ $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ ]  $\Rightarrow 1 = A_1(x) \cdot (x-\lambda_1)^k + A_2(x) \cdot (x-\lambda_2)^k$

## Polynomials & Matrices

Suppose  $P_1, P_2$  relatively prime (i.e.  $\gcd(P_1, P_2) = 1$ ),  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

$\Rightarrow I = A_1(T_A)P_1(T_A) + A_2(T_A)P_2(T_A)$ . Then, for  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :  $v = A_1(T)v + A_2(T)P_2(T)v$ .

Then  $v \in (\ker P_1(T)) \cap \ker P_2(T) \Rightarrow v = 0$ ; then  $\ker P_1(T) \cap \ker P_2(T) = \{0\}$ .

$\Rightarrow \ker P_1(T), \ker P_2(T)$  are disjoint.

$\Rightarrow$  Corollary: Let  $P_1, P_2$  be relatively prime polynomials such that  $P_1(T) \cdot P_2(T) = 0$ .

Then  $V = \ker P_1(T) \oplus \ker P_2(T)$ . (\*\*) Proof is left as an exercise to the reader.

### (\*) Def: Direct Sum

We say that  $V = V_1 \oplus V_2$  if,  $\forall v \in V, \exists$  a unique representation  $v = v_1 + v_2$  ( $v_1 \in V_1, v_2 \in V_2$ ).

(\*\*) Ex:  $\mathbb{R}^3 = \{(x, y, z) : x, y \in \mathbb{R}\} \oplus \{(0, 0, z) : z \in \mathbb{R}\}$

# Polynomial Algebra (cont.)

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Lecture 21

## Polynomial Algebra (cont.)

Fact: Every polynomial is the product of linear factors over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

i.e.:  $\deg P = n \Rightarrow P(x) = a(x - \lambda_1)(x - \lambda_2) \dots (x - \lambda_n)$  [ $a \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ ] is a unique representation for  $P(x)$ .

(\*) Def: An irreducible polynomial is a polynomial that cannot be factored.

Ex:  $(x - \lambda)$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ ;  $(x - \lambda)$ ,  $(x^2 + bx + c)$  [w/ no real roots] in  $\mathbb{R}$

(\*) Note: Polynomials in an arbitrary field  $F$  can still be expressed as the product of irreducibles, but the factors may not be linear. (Ex:  $(x^2 + 1)$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ).

Claim: The factorization of a polynomial into irreducible factors is unique in any field  $F$ .

(\*) Proof

Lemma:  $p | ab \Rightarrow p | a$  or  $p | b$ .

(\*) Proof: Suppose  $p \nmid a$ . Then  $\gcd(p, a) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = ai + pj$  for some  $i, j$ . Then  $b = abi + pbj$ . We know  $p | ab \Rightarrow p | abi$ , and  $p | p \Rightarrow p | pbj$ ; then  $p | b$ .  $\square$

Let  $P(x) = p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdots p_k$  be a factorization of  $P$ . Let  $P = q_1 \cdot q_2 \cdots q_k$  be another factorization. We claim that for every  $p_i$ ,  $p_i = q_j$  (down to scalar multiple) for some  $1 \leq j \leq k$ .

(Base case). We know  $P \mid P = q_1 q_2 \cdots q_k$ . Then  $p_i = q_j$  for some  $j$  (we know that  $p_i$  is irreducible).

(Induc. step). Assume we have found  $p_i = q_j$  for some  $j$ . Then  $\prod_{i=2}^k p_i = \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} q_i$ . Take

$P' = \prod_{i=2}^k p_i$ ; then we can find (same argument as prev.) that  $p'_i = q'_i$  for some  $j$ .

Then every factor  $p_i$  is represented in  $q_1 \cdot q_2 \cdots q_k$ , therefore the factorizations are equivalent.  $\square$

# Matrix Decomposition

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## Lecture 21 Matrix Decomposition

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Let  $T_A: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n / \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $p(x)$  be the minimal polynomial such that  $p(x) \neq 0$ , but  $p(T_A) = 0$ .

$\rightarrow p(x)$  can be expressed as the product of irreducibles:  $p(x) = p_1(x) \cdots p_k(x)$ .

Assume  $F = \mathbb{C}$ ; then all factors are linear:  $p(x) = (x - \lambda_1)^{k_1} \cdots (x - \lambda_n)^{k_n}$ .

in  $\mathbb{C}$ :  
 $(x - \lambda)$  a factor  
 $\Rightarrow (x - \bar{\lambda})$  a factor

Observe: The zeros of the factors  $(A - \lambda_i I)^{k_i}$  correspond to the generalized eigenspaces  $G_A(\lambda_i)$  of  $A$ . Additionally, the functions  $p_i(x) = (x - \lambda_i)^{k_i}$  are all relatively prime.

**Corollary:**  $\mathbb{C} = G_A(\lambda_1) \oplus \dots \oplus G_A(\lambda_n)$ , i.e. the generalized eigenspaces of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{C}$ .

(\*) **Consequence:** Let  $P_i$  be a basis for each G.E.  $G_A(\lambda_i)$ . Then  $B = [P_1 \mid \dots \mid P_n]$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{C}$ .

### (\*) Ex: Decomposition

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . Let  $p(x)$  be the minimal polynomial of  $A$  [of  $T_A$ ], and let

$p(x) = (x - \lambda_1)^{k_1} \cdots (x - \lambda_n)^{k_n}$  be the factorization of  $p(x)$ . Define  $P_1 = (x - \lambda_1)^{k_1} \cdots (x - \lambda_{n-1})^{k_{n-1}}$ ,

$P_2 = (x - \lambda_n)^{k_n}$ . We note that  $P_1, P_2$  are relatively prime, i.e.  $\gcd(P_1, P_2) = 1$ .

$\rightarrow \mathbb{C} = \ker P_1(T) \oplus \ker P_2(T)$ .

**Lemma:**  $\ker P_1(T), \ker P_2(T)$  are  $T$ -invariant.

(\*) **Proof ( $\ker P_1(T)$ ):** Let  $v \in \ker P_1(T)$ . Then  $Av = \lambda_1 v$  for some  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ .

Then  $P_1(A) \cdot Av = P_1(A) \lambda_1 v = \lambda_1 (P_1(A)v) = 0$ .  $\square$

Let  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  be a basis for  $\ker P_1(T)$ , and let  $v_{m+1}, \dots, v_n$  be a basis for  $\ker P_2(T)$ . Then

$B = [v_1 \mid \dots \mid v_m \mid v_{m+1} \mid \dots \mid v_n]$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{C}^n$  such that:

$$[T_A]_B = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} A(\ker P_1(T)) & 0 \\ \hline 0 & A(\ker P_2(T)) \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{decompose } P_1} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \boxed{P_1} & \boxed{0} \\ \hline 0 & \boxed{P_2} \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{blocks correspond to gen. eigenspaces}} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \boxed{I_m} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \boxed{I_{n-m}} \end{array} \right)$$

## (\*) Cyclic Subspaces

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Def: Cyclic Subspaces

Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$  be a linear operator. We call a subspace  $W \subset V$  "T-cyclic" if  $\exists x \in W$  s.t.  $W = \text{span}\{x, Tx, \dots\}$ .

(\*) Problem: Suppose  $T: V \rightarrow V$  is a diagonalizable lin. op. on  $F$ -D VS  $V$  over  $F$ . Show that  $T$  has  $n = \dim V$  distinct eigenvalues iff  $V$  is  $T$ -cyclic.

(\*) Proof: ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in F$  be eigenvalues with a corresponding eigenbasis  $B = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ .

Let  $y = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ , and let  $y_j = T^{j-1} y$  ( $1 \leq j \leq n$ ). Then  $y_j = T^{j-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{j-1} x_i$ .

Then  $D = [y_1]_B \dots [y_n]_B = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \lambda_1^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \lambda_n & \lambda_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow$  nonzero determinant  $\Rightarrow$  invertible.

$$\Rightarrow V = \text{span}\{y_1, \dots, y_n\} = \text{span}\{y, Ty, \dots, T^{n-1} y\}.$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose  $T$  has  $r \leq n$  distinct eigenvalues. (Claim:  $\dim(\text{span}\{x, Tx, \dots\}) \leq r$ .)

(\*) Proof: Let  $x \in V$ .  $T$  diagonalizable  $\Rightarrow V = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r E_{\lambda_i} \Rightarrow x = \sum_{i=1}^r x_i, x_i \in E_{\lambda_i}$ .

Then if  $g(t) = \prod_{i=1}^r (t - \lambda_i)$ ,  $g(T)(x) = \sum_{i=1}^r (\pi_{i,j} (T - \lambda_i I) \circ (T - \lambda_i I) x_i) = 0$ , i.e. by induction

$$0 = g(T)(x) = T^r x + a_{r-1} T^{r-1} x + \dots + a_0 x \Rightarrow T^k x \in \text{span}\{T^{r-1} x, \dots, x\} \forall k \geq 0. \square$$

Generalizing: Let  $T, V$  as before. Let  $f_T(t), g_T(t)$  be the characteristic and minimal polynomials of  $T$ , respectively; then  $V$  is  $T$ -cyclic iff  $g_T(t) \mid f_T(t)$ .

(\*) Proof: ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose  $V$  is  $T$ -cyclic, with  $x_0 \in V$  s.t.  $V = \text{span}\{x_0, Tx_0, \dots\}$ . Let  $r = \deg(g_T)$ , and let  $n = \dim(V) = \deg(f_T)$ . We know  $g_T, f_T$  are both monic and  $g_T \mid f_T$  (per (-H)).

We know  $g_T(T)(x_0) = 0$ ; then  $V = \text{span}\{x_0, Tx_0, \dots\} = \text{span}\{x_0, \dots, T^{r-1} x_0\}$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose  $g_T \neq f_T$ . Then per monic &  $g_T \mid f_T$ ,  $\deg(g_T) \leq \deg(f_T)$ . Then per same argument as before:  $\dim(\text{span}\{x, Tx, \dots\}) \leq \deg(g_T) < \deg(f_T) = \dim V \Rightarrow V$  is not  $T$ -cyclic.  $\square$

Prop. Let  $T, V$  as before. Let  $f_T(t), g_T(t)$  denote the characteristic & minimal polynomials, respectively.

Then for any prime [irreducible] factor  $p(t)$  of  $f_T(t)$ , we have  $p(t) \mid g_T(t)$ .

# Matrix Polynomials

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Result: Generalized Eigenspaces

Let  $T_A: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ , with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  ( $k \leq n$ ). Then, given  $\lambda_i$ , the generalized eigenspace of  $\lambda_i$  is the set  $\{v: (A - \lambda_i I)^l v = 0 \text{ for some } l \geq 1\} = \bigcap_{l=1}^{\infty} \ker(A - \lambda_i I)^l$ .

## Minimal Polynomials

Lemma. Let  $p$  be the minimal polynomial for  $T_A: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ ; then the factorization of  $p(x)$  is an expression of the form  $p(x) = (x - \lambda_1)^{d_1} \cdots (x - \lambda_k)^{d_k}$ , where  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  are eigenvalues of  $A$ .

(\*) Proof: Let  $v$  be an eigenvector for eigenvalue  $\lambda$ . We know  $p(A)v = 0$ ; then  $p(A)v = p(\lambda)v = 0$ . But  $v \neq 0$  (by defn.), therefore  $p(\lambda) = 0$ .  $\square$

Corollary.  $p(\lambda) = 0$  if and only if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

(\*) Proof: Suppose  $\exists \lambda_0$  not an eigenvalue such that  $p(\lambda_0) = 0$ . Then  $(x - \lambda_0) \mid p(x)$ ; then  $p(x) = (x - \lambda_0)Q(x)$  for some  $Q(x)$ . Claim:  $Q(x) = 0$ . We know  $p(A) = 0$ ; then  $p(A) = (A - \lambda_0 I)Q(A) = 0 \Rightarrow (A - \lambda_0 I)Q(A)v = 0 \forall v \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . Then  $Q(A)v \in \ker(A - \lambda_0 I)$ ; but  $\lambda_0$  not an eigenvalue  $\Rightarrow \ker(A - \lambda_0 I) = \{0\} \Rightarrow Q(A)v = 0 \forall v \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . Then  $Q(A) = 0$ , but  $\deg Q < \deg P$ ; then  $Q(x)$  can only be 0.  $\square$

Claim. Let  $p(x) = (x - \lambda_1)^{d_1} \cdots (x - \lambda_k)^{d_k}$  be the minimal polynomial. We claim that  $1 \leq d_i \leq \dim \ker(\lambda_i)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , where  $d_i = \dim \ker(\lambda_i)$ .

(\*) Proof: Know  $p(\lambda_i) = 0 \forall 1 \leq i \leq k \Rightarrow d_i \geq 1$ . If  $d_i > d_j$ , since  $(A - \lambda_i I)^{d_i} = (A - \lambda_j I)^{d_j} \forall d_j > d_i$ , therefore we would be able to find a smaller polynomial than  $p(x)$  [contradiction].  $\square$

Corollary: Let  $C(x)$  be the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ . Then  $p(x) \mid C(x)$ ; then  $C(A) = 0$ . [C-H]

# Complex Inner Products

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## (\*) Linear Algebra

Linear algebra used in / "touched by" all other branches of math. ↗ used in physics, e.g.

Ex: (Group theory) Groups can be represented as invertible matrices via homomorphism  $G \rightarrow M_G$

Ex: Finite groups mapped to permutations [Permutation  $\Rightarrow$  invertible matrix].

## Complex Inner Products

Recall: Inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is symmetric,  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear

Problem: Cannot simply apply  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  to  $\mathbb{C}^n$  (ex:  $\langle v, v \rangle > 0 \Rightarrow \langle iv, iv \rangle < 0$  [not positive-def.])

→ Define inner product on  $\mathbb{C}^n$ :

$$\langle (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n), (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \bar{\beta}_i$$

(\*) Alt.  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$

Properties:

- Is still positive definite
- Is no longer  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear [ex:  $\langle v, iw \rangle \neq i\langle v, w \rangle$ ]
- (\*) Is still "sesquilinear", i.e.  $\langle v, \lambda_1 w_1 + \lambda_2 w_2 \rangle = \bar{\lambda}_1 \langle v, w_1 \rangle + \bar{\lambda}_2 \langle v, w_2 \rangle$
- Is conjugate-symmetric, i.e.  $\langle v, w \rangle = \overline{\langle w, v \rangle}$ .

$$(\text{r}) v = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \rightarrow \langle v, v \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i|^2$$

Recall: Adjoints

Let  $T: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  be a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear transformation. Then the adjoint of  $T$  [associated with  $T$ ] is the linear map  $T^*: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  determined by  $\langle Tv, w \rangle = \langle v, T^*w \rangle$ .

(\*) Also called a Hermitian adjoint

# Hermitian Matrices

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Determining  $T^*$

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$T^*$  is uniquely determined by  $T$ .

(\*) Intuition: Let  $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . If  $\langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle$  is known  $\forall \vec{w} \in$  basis of  $\mathbb{C}^{n*} \Rightarrow \vec{v}$  is known.

$\rightarrow$  Let  $T_A: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ . Then for any  $v \in \mathbb{C}^n$  s.t.  $Tv$  is known:  $\langle v, Te_i \rangle$  known  $\Rightarrow \langle T^*v, e_i \rangle$  known.

$\rightarrow \forall e_i, e_i$  [standard basis]:  $\langle T^*e_i, e_i \rangle = \langle e_i, Te_i \rangle = \overline{\langle Te_i, e_i \rangle} = [(A^*)_{ii}] = A_{ii}$

$$\rightarrow A^* = (\bar{A})^T$$

Diagonalizability

(ie. Asymmetric)

Recall: Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Then  $A = A^T \Rightarrow A$  diagonalizable over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Def: Hermitian Matrices

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ . We say  $A$  is Hermitian if  $A = A^*$ . If  $A$  is Hermitian (alt: self-adjoint), then  $A$  can be diagonalized into a real diagonal matrix.

Corollary: If  $A$  is real and  $A = A^T [= (\bar{A})^T]$ , then  $A$  is diagonalizable.

(\*) Proof: Let  $A = A^* [= (\bar{A})^T]$  be the matrix associated with  $T: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ . Let  $v$  be an eigenvector of  $A$ , i.e.  $T_A v = \lambda v$ . Then  $\langle \lambda v, w \rangle = \langle T_A v, w \rangle = \overline{\langle w, T_A v \rangle}$ .

Know:  $\langle v, T_A v \rangle = \langle T^* v, v \rangle$ . Recall:  $\langle T^* v, v \rangle = \langle v, T v \rangle = \overline{\lambda} \langle v, v \rangle$ .

Since  $T = T^*$ :  $\langle T^* v, v \rangle = \overline{\langle T v, v \rangle} = \overline{\lambda} \langle v, v \rangle$ . Then  $\lambda = \overline{\lambda} \Rightarrow \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . [since  $|v| \neq 0$ ]

(\*\*) To find additional eigenvectors: look at  $v^\perp = \{w: \langle v, w \rangle = 0\}$  [ $T$ -invariant subsp.].  $\square$

[roots]

(\*) Recall: Every polynomial in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  has solutions  $\rightarrow$  every matrix in  $\mathbb{C}$  has an eigenvalue.

# Adjoints

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Recall: Adjoints

Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$ . Then an [the] adjoint for  $T$  is a linear map  $S: W \rightarrow V$  such that  $\langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle x, Sy \rangle$ ,  $\forall x \in V, y \in W$ .

Claim: If  $\exists$  an adjoint for  $T$ , then it is unique.

(\*) Proof: Since  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is positive-definite, then for any vector  $v_0 \in V$ ,  $\langle v_0, v \rangle = 0 \iff v \in V$  if and only if  $v = \vec{0}$ . Equivalently:  $\langle v, v_0 \rangle = \langle v, v \rangle \iff v_0 = v$ .

Let  $S_1, S_2$  be adjoints for  $T$ ; then for any  $x \in V, y \in W$ :  $\langle x, S_1 y \rangle = \langle x, S_2 y \rangle$ .

By fixing  $x$ , we find  $S_1 y = S_2 y$ ; we can repeat  $\forall y \in W$ .  $\square$

Prop. Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear operator on  $V$  a fin.-dim. IPS over  $\mathbb{R}$  ( $\text{IPS}/\mathbb{R}$ ). Then if

$B = (e_1, \dots, e_n)$  is an orthonormal basis, then  $[T^*]_B = ([T]_B)^T$ .

Rmk: This can be generalized to  $\mathbb{C}$  [over  $\mathbb{C}$ ]:  $[T^*]_B = ([T]_B)^* = \overline{([T]_B)^T}$ .

(\*) Proof: Recall:  $\forall x \in V, x = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, e_i \rangle e_i$ . Let  $A = [T]_B$ ; then  $T(e_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ij} e_i$ .

We know:  $T e_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle T e_j, e_i \rangle e_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle e_j, T^* e_i \rangle e_i \rightarrow A_{ij} = \overline{\langle T^* e_i, e_j \rangle}$ . Let  $B = [T^*]_B$ ;

then  $A_{ij} = B_{ji} \Rightarrow A = B^T$ .  $\square$

# Upper Triangularization

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## (\*) Derivatives as Transformations

Recall:  $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$  [Integration by Parts]  $\Rightarrow \int f dx = - \int f' g dx$  (+ boundary term)

Define  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} f(x)g(x)dx \rightarrow \langle f, \frac{df}{dx} \rangle = \langle -\frac{d^2f}{dx^2}, g \rangle + \text{boundary term} \approx 0$   
 $\rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} \frac{d}{dx}(f \cdot g) \cdot g = - \int_0^{\infty} f \cdot \frac{d^2g}{dx^2} = -(\int_0^{\infty} f \cdot \frac{d^2g}{dx^2}) = \int_0^{\infty} f \cdot \frac{d^2g}{dx^2}$

Observe:  $f_x, f_{x^2}$  akin to self-adjoint operators

## Upper Triangularization [Schur's Theorem]

Recall:  $T_A^* = (\bar{T}_A)^T$ , i.e.  $A^* = (\bar{A})^T$

Claim: Let  $T_A: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ . We claim that the matrix  $A$  is upper-triangular for some basis (hence Jordan form).

(\*) Proof: We know  $A$  is a matrix of the form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} & & \\ & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ & v_1 & \dots & v_n \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$$

→ Set  $v_n$  to be an eigenvector of  $T^*$ ,

s.t.  $T^*v_n = \lambda_n v_n$ . Assume WLOG that  $\|v_n\|=1$ , i.e.  $\langle v_n, v_n \rangle = 1$

→ Claim.  $v_n^\perp = \{v \in \mathbb{C}^n : \langle v, v_n \rangle = 0\}$  is a  $T$ -invariant subspace.

(\*) Proof: Let  $w \in v_n^\perp$ . Then  $\langle w, v_n \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \langle w, T^*v_n \rangle = \langle w, \lambda_n v_n \rangle = 0$ .

Then  $\langle Tw, v_n \rangle = 0$ .  $\square$

Then our matrix (over  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ ) is a matrix of the form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} & & & \\ & T(v_n^\perp) & \uparrow & \\ & \vdots & v_n & \downarrow \\ 0 & & \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

→ Can find an orthonormal basis (and thus an upper-triangular matrix) via induction on  $v_n^\perp$ .  $\square$

Observe: Values on the diagonals are eigenvalues of  $A$ . ((\*) Proofs only works in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  if all eigenvalues real))

## (\*) Midterm Review Problems

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Problem 1: Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  be in Jordan form w/ single eigenvalue  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . Show that: (a) # blocks

$$= \dim(\ker(A - \lambda I)) \text{ and (b) } \# \text{ blocks of size } \geq 2 = \dim(\ker((A - \lambda I)^2)) - \dim(\ker(A - \lambda I)).$$

(a) Write  $B = A - \lambda I$ ; Then  $\exists 1 = i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n$  s.t.  $B e_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \in \{i_1, \dots, i_k\}, \\ e_i & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Observe: # blocks =  $k$ . Let  $B = \{e_{i_1}, \dots, e_{i_k}\}$ ; want to show that  $B$  is a basis for  $\ker B$ .

We know that  $B \subset \ker B$ , and that  $e_{i_1}, \dots, e_{i_k}$  are linearly independent.

Claim:  $\ker B = \text{span}(B)$

Proof: Let  $x \in \ker B$ . We know  $x = \sum_{i=1}^k c_i e_{i_1}$ , and that  $Bx = 0$ . Since  $B e_i = 0 \forall i \in \{i_1, \dots, i_k\}$ :

$$Bx = B\left(\sum_{i=1}^k c_i e_{i_1}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^k c_i B(e_{i_1}) = \sum_{i \notin B} c_i B(e_i) \Rightarrow c_i = 0 \forall i \notin B \text{ [since } e_{i_1}, \dots, e_n \text{ independent].} \quad \square$$

(b) Look at  $B^2$ : Blocks size 1  $\Rightarrow$  look the same in  $B^2$  (a)

Blocks size  $\geq 2$   $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  in  $B \rightarrow$  one smaller in  $B^2$   $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Can name Jordan blocks of size  $\geq 2$ : integers  $1 \leq j_1 \leq \dots \leq j_r \leq k$  s.t.  $B e_{j_i} \neq 0$  but  $B^2 e_{j_i} = 0$ .

$\rightarrow$  Then show that  $\{e_{i_1}, \dots, e_{i_k}, e_{j_1}, \dots, e_{j_r}\}$  is a basis for  $\ker(B^2)$ . [Same arg. as previous]

Problem 7: Show that if  $T: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is linear and self-adjoint [ $T^* = T$ ], then  $T$  has only real eigenvalues.

Let  $v \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  be an eigenvector of  $T$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \lambda \|v\|^2 &= \lambda \langle v, v \rangle = \langle \lambda v, v \rangle = \langle Tv, v \rangle = \langle v, T^* v \rangle = \langle v, T v \rangle = \overline{\langle T v, v \rangle} \\ &\rightarrow = \overline{\langle \lambda v, v \rangle} = \overline{\lambda \|v\|^2} = \bar{\lambda} \|v\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|v\|^2 \neq 0$ :  $\lambda = \bar{\lambda}$ .  $\square$

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## Proof of Jordan Form

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Recall: Given  $T: V \rightarrow V$ , can represent  $V$  as a direct sum  $V = E_{\lambda_1} \oplus \dots \oplus E_{\lambda_s}$  of generalized eigenspaces of  $T$ . Then, to show  $T$  has a Jordan form, suffices to show  $T|_{E_{\lambda_i}}$  has Jordan form  $\forall i$ .

Claim: Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$  linear; let  $E_{\lambda_i}$  be a gen. eigenspace of  $T$ . Then  $\exists$  a matrix representation of  $T|_{E_{\lambda_i}}$  in Jordan form.

↳ some  $\lambda$  invariant subspace

(\*) Proof: By induction on  $\dim E_{\lambda_i}$ . Base case:  $\dim E_{\lambda_i} = 1 \rightarrow T|_{E_{\lambda_i}} = (\lambda_i)$  [trivial].

Inductive step: Look at  $(T - \lambda_i I) E_{\lambda_i}$ ; we observe that  $\dim((T - \lambda_i I)(E_{\lambda_i})) < \dim E_{\lambda_i}$ , since  $T - \lambda_i I$  sends at least one vector [an eigenvector] to  $\vec{0}$ .  $\rightarrow$   $\text{Image}(T - \lambda_i I)$  on  $E_{\lambda_i}$ .

If we look at  $(\ker(T - \lambda_i I)) \cap \text{im}(T - \lambda_i I)$ :

Case 1:  $\ker(T - \lambda_i I) \cap \text{im}(T - \lambda_i I) = \{\vec{0}\}$ . Per Rank-Nullity:  $\dim E_{\lambda_i} = \dim(\ker(T - \lambda_i I)) + \dim(\text{im}(T - \lambda_i I))$ ; then  $E_{\lambda_i} = \ker(T + \lambda_i I) \oplus \text{im}(T + \lambda_i I)$ . Since  $\ker(T + \lambda_i I)$

consists entirely of eigenvectors of  $T$  (with eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$ ), therefore  $T|_{\ker(T + \lambda_i I)}$  is diagonalizable; and we claim  $T|_{\text{im}(T + \lambda_i I)}$  has Jordan form by induction.

Case 2:  $\ker(T - \lambda_i I) \cap \text{im}(T - \lambda_i I) \neq \{\vec{0}\}$ . We know that  $T|_{\ker(T - \lambda_i I) \cap \text{im}(T - \lambda_i I)}$  is diagonalizable; then it remains to find a Jordan basis for  $T|_{\text{im}(T - \lambda_i I)}$ .

We observe that for every vector  $\vec{v} \in (\ker(T - \lambda_i I) \cap \text{im}(T - \lambda_i I))$ ,  $\exists \vec{v}' \in \text{im}(T - \lambda_i I) \setminus \ker(T - \lambda_i I)$  such that  $(T - \lambda_i I)\vec{v}' = \vec{v}$ . Then for every  $\vec{v}_0 \in \ker(T - \lambda_i I) \cap \text{im}(T - \lambda_i I)$ , we can find a Jordan chain of vectors  $\vec{v}_0, (T - \lambda_i I)\vec{v}_0, \dots, (T - \lambda_i I)^s \vec{v}_0 = \vec{v}_0$ ,  $[s < \dim(\text{im}(T - \lambda_i I))]$  in  $E_{\lambda_i}$ . We observe that the span of the vectors in the chain are  $(T - \lambda_i I)$ -invariant and a Jordan basis for  $(T - \lambda_i I)|_{\text{span}\{\vec{v}_0, (T - \lambda_i I)\vec{v}_0, \dots, (T - \lambda_i I)^s \vec{v}_0\}}$ , and eigenvalue 0.

then they are a Jordan basis for  $T|_{\text{span}\{\vec{v}_0, (T - \lambda_i I)\vec{v}_0, \dots, (T - \lambda_i I)^s \vec{v}_0\}}$ . Per definition of  $E_{\lambda_i}$ , every vector not in  $\ker(T - \lambda_i I)$  belongs to exactly one Jordan chain;

then  $E_{\lambda_i} = \ker(T - \lambda_i I) \oplus \text{span}\{\vec{v}_0, (T - \lambda_i I)\vec{v}_0, \dots, (T - \lambda_i I)^s \vec{v}_0\}$ .  $\square$