

1 - 6 Eigenvalues and vectors

Is the given matrix Hermitian? Skew-Hermitian? Unitary?

$$1. \begin{pmatrix} 6 & i \\ -i & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$e1 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & i \\ -i & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

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{{6, i}, {-i, 6}}
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e2 = Transpose[e1] // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & -i \\ i & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

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e3 = Inverse[e1] // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{6}{35} & -\frac{i}{35} \\ \frac{i}{35} & \frac{6}{35} \end{pmatrix}$$

Above: It is Hermitian. It is not skew-Hermitian. It is not Unitary.

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e4 = {vals, vecs} = Eigensystem[e1]
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{{7, 5}, {{i, 1}, {-i, 1}}}
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The green cells above, containing eigenvalues, eigenvectors, and matrix ID, agree with the text answer.

$$3. \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & i\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} \\ i\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$e1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & i\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} \\ i\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

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{{1/2, i*sqrt(3)/2}, {i*sqrt(3)/2, 1/2}}
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```
e2 = Transpose[e1] // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

```
e3 = Inverse[e1] // MatrixForm
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -\frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

It is not Hermitian. It is not skew-Hermitian. It is Unitary.

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e4 = {vals, vecs} = Eigensystem[e1]
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$$\left\{ \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (1 + i\sqrt{3}), \frac{1}{2} (1 - i\sqrt{3}) \right\}, \{ \{1, 1\}, \{-1, 1\} \} \right\}$$

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5.
$$\begin{pmatrix} i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Clear["Global`*"]
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$$e1 = \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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{ {i, 0, 0}, {0, 0, i}, {0, i, 0} }
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```
e2 = Transpose[e1] // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

```
e3 = Inverse[e1] // MatrixForm
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} -i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & -i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Above: the matrix is both Unitary and Skew-Hermitian.

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e4 = {vals, vecs} = Eigensystem[e1]
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$$\{ \{i, i, -i\}, \{ \{0, 1, 1\}, \{1, 0, 0\}, \{0, -1, 1\} \} \}$$

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7. Pauli spin matrices. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the so-called Pauli spin matrices and show that

$\mathbf{S}_x \mathbf{S}_y = \mathbf{i} \mathbf{S}_z$, $\mathbf{S}_y \mathbf{S}_x = -\mathbf{i} \mathbf{S}_z$, $\mathbf{S}_x^2 = \mathbf{S}_y^2 = \mathbf{S}_z^2 = \mathbf{I}$, where

$$\mathbf{S}_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{S}_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\mathbf{i} \\ \mathbf{i} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{S}_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\mathbf{sx} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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{{0, 1}, {1, 0}}
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$$\mathbf{sy} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\mathbf{i} \\ \mathbf{i} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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{{0, -i}, {i, 0}}
```

$$\mathbf{sz} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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{{1, 0}, {0, -1}}
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e1 = FullSimplify[sx.sy == i sz]
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True
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e2 = FullSimplify[sy.sx == -i sz]
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True
```

```
e3 = FullSimplify[sx.sx == sy.sy == sz.sz == IdentityMatrix[2]]
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True
```

9 - 12 Complex forms

Is the matrix A Hermitian or skew-Hermitian? Find $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$

$$9. \quad \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 - 2\mathbf{i} \\ 3 + 2\mathbf{i} & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\mathbf{e1} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 - 2\mathbf{i} \\ 3 + 2\mathbf{i} & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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{{4, 3 - 2 i}, {3 + 2 i, -4}}
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```
e2 = xx = {-4 i, 2 + 2 i}
{-4 i, 2 + 2 i}
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e3 = Transpose[e1] // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 + 2i \\ 3 - 2i & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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```
e4 = Inverse[e1] // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{29} & \frac{3}{29} - \frac{2i}{29} \\ \frac{3}{29} + \frac{2i}{29} & -\frac{4}{29} \end{pmatrix}$$

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The matrix is Hermitian.

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e5 = xbar = {4 i, 2 - 2 i}
{4 i, 2 - 2 i}
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e6 = xbar.e1.xx
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The two green cells above match the text answer for matrix ID and the value of $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$.

$$11. \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} i & 1 & 2+i \\ -1 & 0 & 3i \\ -2+i & 3i & i \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

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Clear["Global`*"]
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```
e1 = 
$$\begin{pmatrix} i & 1 & 2+i \\ -1 & 0 & 3i \\ -2+i & 3i & i \end{pmatrix}$$

{{i, 1, 2 + i}, {-1, 0, 3 i}, {-2 + i, 3 i, i}}
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xx = {1, i, -i}
{1, i, -i}
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xbar = {1, -i, i}
{1, -i, i}
```

```
e2 = Transpose[e1] // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} i & -1 & -2+i \\ 1 & 0 & 3i \\ 2+i & 3i & i \end{pmatrix}$$

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```
e3 = Inverse[e1] // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{9i}{2} & -\frac{5}{2} - \frac{3i}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{5}{2} - \frac{3i}{2} & 2i & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{i}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i}{2} & \frac{i}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

The matrix is skew-Hermitian.

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e4 = xbar.e1.xx
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$$-6i$$

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