

## 7.5 Complex eigenvalues.

Eigs = roots of char. poly

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \quad \text{characteristic equation}$$

Thm (The fundamental thm of algebra).

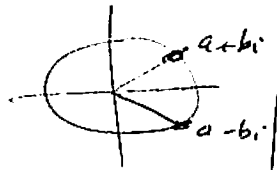
- Any poly  $p(x)$  of degree  $n$  (with complex or real coeff's) has exactly  $n$  ~~solutions~~ roots (counting multiplicity), real or complex.

Thus

$$p(x) = a_0(x-x_1)(x-x_2)\dots(x-x_n)$$

Some roots  $x_i$  can be the same.

- Moreover, if  $p(x)$  has real coeff's then for each non-real root  $x_i = a+bi$  ( $b \neq 0$ ) there exists a conjugate root  $x_j = \overline{x_i} = a-bi$



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- Cor. Any  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  with complex or real entries has exactly  $n$  eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  (counting <sup>alg.</sup> multiplicities).
- Moreover, if  $\exists$  eigen for each non-real eig  $\lambda_i = a+bi$   $\exists$  conjugate eig.  $\bar{\lambda}_i = a-bi$ .

Hence: always true that

$$\det(A) = \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n$$

$$\text{tr}(A) = \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n$$

$$\text{Ex (a)} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{Compare w/ F.T.A.})$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = -i$$

$$\lambda_2 = i$$

(Compare w/ F.T.A.)

$$\text{-i) } A + iI = \begin{bmatrix} i & -1 \\ 1 & i \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{to } (A - iI)$$

$$(A - iI)x = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 = 0 \\ x_1 + ix_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$x_1 = 1, x_2 = i$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{ii) } A - iI = \begin{bmatrix} -i & -1 \\ 1 & -i \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{cases} ix_1 + x_2 = 0 \\ x_1 - ix_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$x_1 = i$$

$$x_2 = 1$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Thus: } \lambda_1 = -i, \quad \bar{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = i, \quad \bar{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonalization:

$$A = SDS^{-1}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}, \quad S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{(b) } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{Jordan block}) - \text{still not diagonalizable.}$$

In view of the fundamental theorem of algebra, we see

Thm: Any  $n \times n$  matrix has exactly  $n$  eigenvalues (counting multiplicity)  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ .

If  $A$  is a real matrix with a complex eigenvalue  $\lambda = a + bi$  and corresponding complex eigenvector  $\vec{v} + i\vec{w}$ , then  $\bar{\lambda} = a - bi$  is also an eigenvalue with eigenvector  $\vec{v} - i\vec{w}$ .

(As we mentioned earlier)  $\lambda_1 \cdots \lambda_n = \det A$   
 $\lambda_1 + \cdots + \lambda_n = \text{tr } A$

### 3. Canonical Forms

After introducing complex eigenvalues/eigenvectors, one can diagonalize more matrices: the invertible matrix  $A$  may contain complex vectors, and the diagonal matrix  $D$  may contain complex eigenvalues.

eg.  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -i & i \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a+ib & 0 \\ 0 & a-ib \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -i & i \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1-\sqrt{2}i}{3} & \frac{1+\sqrt{2}i}{3} \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2}i & 0 \\ 0 & -\sqrt{2}i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1-\sqrt{2}i}{3} & \frac{1+\sqrt{2}i}{3} \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$

As before, we have

Thm:  $A$  is diagonalizable over  $\mathbb{C} \Leftrightarrow$  Exists a complex eigenbasis for  $A$ .

### Canonical forms

Note: Most polynomials of degree  $n$  have  $n$  distinct roots

$\Rightarrow$  Most  $n \times n$  matrices have  $n$  distinct eigenvalues

$\Rightarrow$  Most  $n \times n$  matrices are diagonalizable.

However: Matrices like  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  are not diagonalizable even over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Question: What is the simplest possible form of  $A$  if  $A$  is not diagonalizable?

Observation: If  $A$  is not diagonalizable,  $A$  must have at least one eigenvalue whose algebraic multiplicity is greater than 1.

e.g. for  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\lambda = 0$  has algebraic multiplicity 4.

Fact: Such a "1's over diagonal" matrix form fundamental blocks of the simplest matrix that is similar to a non-diagonalizable matrix.



## 2. Functions of Matrices

As we have seen in lecture 19, if  $A$  is diagonalizable ( $\Leftrightarrow$  "enough eigenvectors"), then to calculate a high power of  $A$  is simple if we are using the eigenbasis. Alternatively,

$$D = S^{-1}AS \Rightarrow A = S(S^{-1}AS)S^{-1} = SDS^{-1} = S \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} S^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = (SDS^{-1})(SDS^{-1}) = SD^2S^{-1} = S \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^2 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n^2 \end{pmatrix} S^{-1}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$A^N = \underbrace{(SDS^{-1})(SDS^{-1}) \cdots (SDS^{-1})}_{N \text{ times}} = SD^N S^{-1} = S \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^N & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n^N \end{pmatrix} S^{-1}$$

Now let  $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n$  be a polynomial, then we can define

$$p(A) = a_0 I_n + a_1 A + \dots + a_n A^n$$

If  $A$  is diagonalizable, i.e.  $A = SDS^{-1}$ , then

$$p(A) = S \cdot a_0 I_n \cdot S^{-1} + S \cdot a_1 D \cdot S^{-1} + \dots + S \cdot a_n D^n \cdot S^{-1} = S(p(D)) \cdot S^{-1} = S \begin{pmatrix} p(\lambda_1) & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & p(\lambda_n) \end{pmatrix} S^{-1}$$

So  $p(A)$  is also diagonalizable, with the same eigenbasis as  $A$ , and eigenvalues become  $p(\lambda_1), \dots, p(\lambda_n)$ .

One can even define more complicated functions using power series, e.g.

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad e^A := I_n + A + \frac{1}{2!} A^2 + \frac{1}{3!} A^3 + \dots$$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \sin A := A - \frac{1}{3!} A^3 + \frac{1}{5!} A^5 - \dots$$

Again if  $A$  is diagonalizable, i.e.  $A = SDS^{-1}$ , then

$$e^A = S e^D S^{-1} = S \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix} S^{-1} \text{ etc.}$$

or with

$$f(A) = S f(D) S^{-1}$$

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entrywise,  $f(\lambda_i)$

$f(A) \equiv S f(D) S^{-1}$

Example.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

[One can check:  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^4 = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} x & x & x \\ x & x & x \\ x & x & x \end{pmatrix}$ ]

$$\Rightarrow A^{100} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{99} = \begin{pmatrix} 4^{99} & 4^{99} & 4^{99} \\ 4^{99} & 4^{99} & 4^{99} \\ 4^{99} & 4^{99} & 4^{99} \end{pmatrix} = 4^{99} A$$

$$e^A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^4$$

Ex.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$e^A = \begin{bmatrix} 9.36 & 6.36 & 6.36 \\ 6.36 & 6.36 & 6.36 \\ 6.36 & 6.36 & 6.36 \end{bmatrix}$$

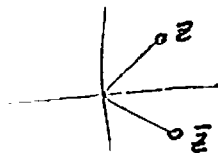
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# Complex Vectors and matrices. Inner product.

Recall: <sup>Complex</sup> conjugate  
 $\mathbb{C}^n \supset \mathbb{R}^n$

$$z = a + bi, \quad \bar{z} = a - bi,$$

Prop: (a)  $z \cdot \bar{z} = a^2 + b^2 = |z|^2$   
 (b)  $\overline{xz} = \bar{x}\bar{z}$



Def Inner product on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is defined as

$$\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \bar{v}_i = \vec{u}^T \cdot \vec{v}$$

where  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$

Properties

(a) If  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$  (dot product)

(b)  $\langle \vec{u}, \vec{u} \rangle = \sum u_i \bar{u}_i = \sum |u_i|^2 = \|\vec{u}\|^2$

Warning:  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}$  may be complex,  $\neq \|\vec{u}\|^2$

That's why conjugation is needed in def of  $\langle \vec{v}, \vec{v} \rangle$ .

(c)  $\langle \lambda \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \lambda \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle; \quad \langle \vec{u}, \mu \vec{v} \rangle = \bar{\mu} \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle$

Ex  $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2+i \\ 3-i \end{bmatrix}$ .  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = i(2-i) + 1(3+i) = 1 + 2i + 3 + i = 4 + 3i$   
 $\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{(2^2+1^2) + (3^2+1^2)} = \sqrt{15}$

A:  $n \times m$ , entries  $\in \mathbb{C}$

Def The conjugate transpose  $A^* = \overline{A^T} = (\bar{A})^T$

Ex  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i & 2 \\ 3-2i & 7i \end{bmatrix} \quad A^* = \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & 3+2i \\ 2 & -7i \end{bmatrix}$

Properties: (a) A has real entries  $\Rightarrow A^* = A^T$

(b)  $(A+B)^* = A^* + B^*$

(c)  $(kA)^* = \bar{k} A^*$

(d)  $(AB)^* = B^* A^*$

(e)  $(A^*)^* = A$

(f)  $\langle A\vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \langle \vec{u}, A^*\vec{v} \rangle$

$\Rightarrow$  (For real  $A, \vec{u}, \vec{v}$ :  
 $\langle A\vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \langle \vec{u}, A^T \vec{v} \rangle$ )

$$\overline{\langle A\vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle} = (A\vec{u})^T \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{u}^T A^T \vec{v} = \vec{u}^T \overline{A^* \vec{v}} = \vec{u}^T A^* \vec{v} = \langle \vec{u}, A^* \vec{v} \rangle$$