

Lecture 18 Beyond \mathbb{R}^n and
the dot product!

Today Midterm review, 2-3:30pm,
740 Evans

Fri Quiz through §7.1

Tues 10/31 Midterm 2 through §6.5

"To infinity and beyond!"
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Recall Spectra! Then A $n \times n$ matrix
(with real entries)
TFAE

- 1) A sym: $A = A^T$
- 2) There is an orthog basis of e-vectors of A
- 3) A is diagonalizable $D = P^{-1}AP$ with P orthogonal

Caution $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ has e-values $\lambda = 1, -2$
but their eg-spaces

E_1, E_2 are not
orthog

Remains to prove (1) \Rightarrow (2)

By induction on n (= size of matrix)

Base case $n=1$ $A = [a]$

Take $y_1 = [1]$, $\beta = \langle y_1, y \rangle$ orthonog
basis of e-vectors

Inductive step Assume true for $(n-1) \times (n-1)$
matrices

Consider some $n \times n$ sym matrix:

$$A = A^T$$

First goal: find e-vector!

Fund Thm of Alg $\Rightarrow \chi_A(t)$ can be factored
if we accept complex roots

Let λ be a root.

Claim $\lambda = a$ is real
if $\lambda = a+ib$ and $\bar{\lambda} = a-ib$

Why? Suppose not. Set $\lambda_+ = \lambda$, $\lambda_- = \bar{\lambda}$

Suppose v_+ is an e-vector for λ_+

Then $\bar{v}_- = \overline{v_+}$ is one for $\lambda_- = \bar{\lambda}_+$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{\text{Calc.}} \quad \lambda_+ (\bar{y}_+ \cdot \bar{y}_-) &= (\lambda_+ \bar{y}_+) \cdot \bar{y}_- \\
 &= (A \bar{y}_+) \cdot \bar{y}_- = (A \bar{y}_+)^T \bar{y}_- \\
 &= \bar{y}_+^T A^T \bar{y}_- \stackrel{!}{=} \bar{y}_+^T A \bar{y}_- \\
 &= \bar{y}_+ \cdot (A \bar{y}_-) = \bar{y}_+ \cdot (\lambda_- \bar{y}_-) \\
 &= \lambda_- (\bar{y}_+ \cdot \bar{y}_-)
 \end{aligned}$$

Exer: Show $\bar{w} \cdot \bar{w} > 0$ if $\bar{w} \neq \bar{0}$.

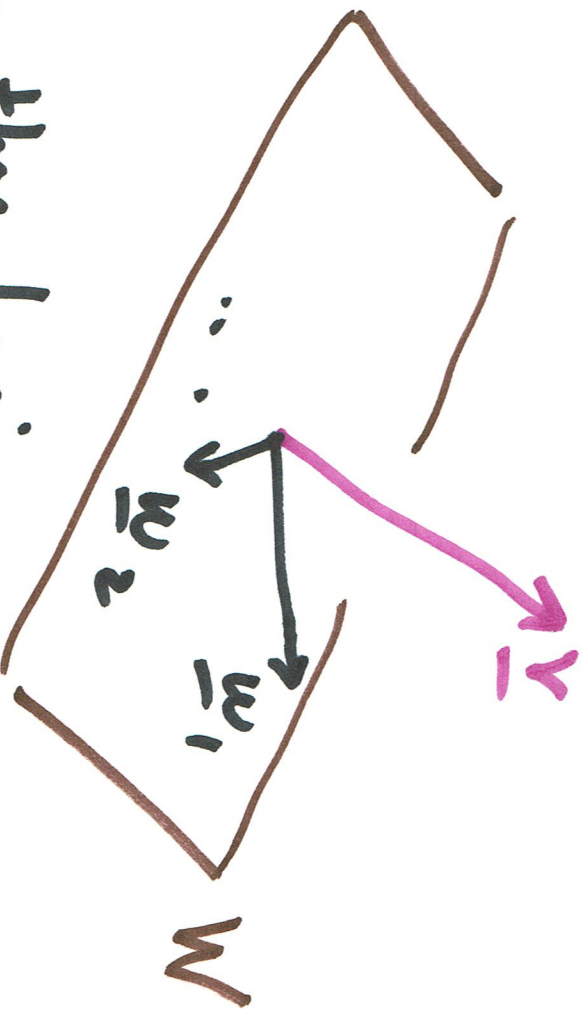
Conclude: $\lambda_+ = \lambda_- = \lambda$ so λ is real!

Exer λ real \Rightarrow there is real e-vector \underline{v}

Why? $\text{Null}(A - \lambda I) \neq \{ \underline{0} \}$

Take some $\underline{v} \neq \underline{0}$ in null space. \square

Now consider $W = \text{Span} \{ \underline{v}, \underline{v}^\perp \}$



Choose orthog basis $\underline{w}_1, \dots, \underline{w}_{n-1}$ for W

Consider basis $\beta = \{w_1, \dots, w_{n-1}, v\}$ of \mathbb{R}^n

Exer $[A]_{\beta} = P^{-1} A P$
matrix of A
w.r.t. basis β

is of form

with $(A')^T = A'$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} A' & \begin{matrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{matrix} \\ \hline 0 \dots 0 & \lambda \end{array} \right]$$

A'
 $(n-1) \times (n-1)$

By induction, we can choose orthog basis $\underline{u}_1, \dots, \underline{u}_{n-1} \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ of e-vectors for A'

Define $\underline{y}_1, \dots, \underline{y}_{n-1} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ by adding a single 0 component at end

$$\underline{y}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{u}_i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Check $\underline{y}_1, \dots, \underline{y}_{n-1}, \underline{v}$ is orthog basis of e-vectors! \blacksquare

Now let's go beyond \mathbb{R}^n and dot product

Def An inner product space is a vect sp V with an inner product, i.e. a function

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \underbrace{V \times V}_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Satisfying :

$$1) \langle \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle = \langle \underline{v}, \underline{u} \rangle \quad (\text{symmetric})$$

$$2) \langle \underline{u}_1 + \underline{u}_2, \underline{v} \rangle = \langle \underline{u}_1, \underline{v} \rangle + \langle \underline{u}_2, \underline{v} \rangle$$

(linearity over addition.)

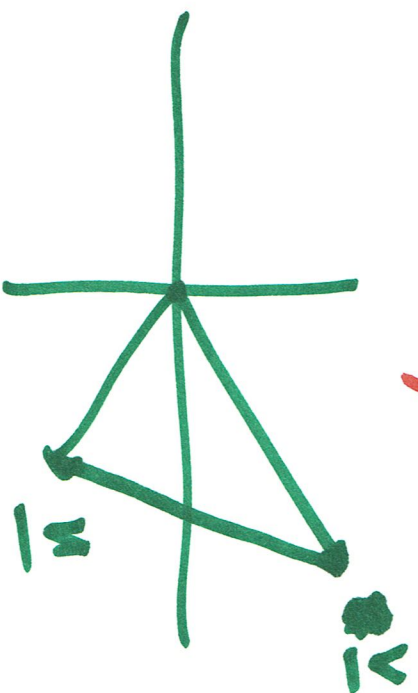
$$3) \langle c \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle = c \langle \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle \quad (\text{scales})$$

for real c

$$4) \langle \underline{u}, \underline{u} \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \\ = 0 \iff \underline{u} = \underline{0}$$

Meta-principle All notions for \mathbb{R}^n with dot product work in any inner prod space.

For example: Lengths, distances, angles, orthogonality, Pythag. Thm, law of cosines, Δ -inequality



$$\|x-y\| \leq$$

$$\|x\| + \|y\|$$

Gram-Schmidt, orthog proj's,

Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$|\langle \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle| \leq \|\underline{u}\| \|\underline{v}\|$$

follows from identity

$$\langle \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle = \|\underline{u}\| \|\underline{v}\| \cos \theta$$

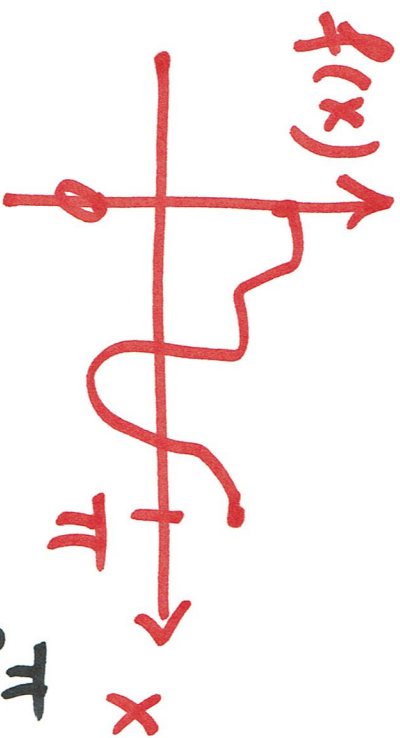
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angle between
 $\underline{u}, \underline{v}$

...

Examples

1) (Beyond $\mathbb{R}^n \dots$)

vectsp: $V = \{ \text{cont. fns } f: [0, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \}$



inner prod: $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^\pi f(x)g(x)dx$

Check axioms are satisfied!

$$\underline{\text{Exer Calc.}} \quad \| \cos(x) \| = \sqrt{\langle \cos(x), \cos(x) \rangle}$$

$$= \sqrt{\int_0^\pi \cos^2(x) dx}$$

$$= \sqrt{\int_0^\pi \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\cos(2x)}{2} \right) dx}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{x}{2} + \frac{\sin(2x)}{4} \Big|_0^\pi}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

2) (Beyond dot product ...)

$V = \mathbb{R}^n$ from here on

How to construct other inner prods?

A sym $n \times n$ matrix

Define $\langle \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle_A = \underline{u}^T A \underline{v}$

$$= \underline{u} \cdot (A \underline{v})$$

$$= (A \underline{u}) \cdot \underline{v}$$

Note $A = I_n \Rightarrow \langle \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle_A = \underline{u} \cdot \underline{v}$

But ... What if $A = 0$???

Then $\langle \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle_A = 0$ always.

Still satisfies axioms 1), 2), 3)
but not 4)

In general any $\langle \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle_A$ will satisfy
axioms 1), 2), 3) but only sometimes
4)

Further remark: If A arbitrary, not
rec. sym., then axioms (2), (3)
still hold but not 1).

Terminology quadratic form

is a fn $Q: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

of the form $Q(y) = \langle y, y \rangle_A$

for sym matrix A

"length-squared for some"
possible inner prod"

More terminology: a quad form Q is

1) pos-definite if $Q(\underline{y}) > 0$
for $\underline{y} \neq \underline{0}$

Note: $\langle \underline{x}, \underline{y} \rangle_A$ is inner prod

$\Leftrightarrow Q = \langle \underline{y}, \underline{y} \rangle_A$ is pos-def

2) neg-definite $Q(\underline{y}) < 0$

3) indefinite if sometimes $Q(\underline{y}) > 0$
sometimes $Q(\underline{y}) < 0$

For what A sym, is $\langle y, y \rangle_A$ an
inner prod, i.e. $Q(y) = \langle y, y \rangle_A$
pos-def?

Apply Spectral Theorem!

Find orthog P so that

$$D = P^{-1} A P \text{ equiv } A = P D P^{-1}$$

Diagonal

What can D look like?

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \dots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$\langle \underline{u}, \underline{v} \rangle_A$ is inner prod., i.e. $Q(\underline{v}) =$

$$\langle \underline{v}, \underline{v} \rangle_A$$

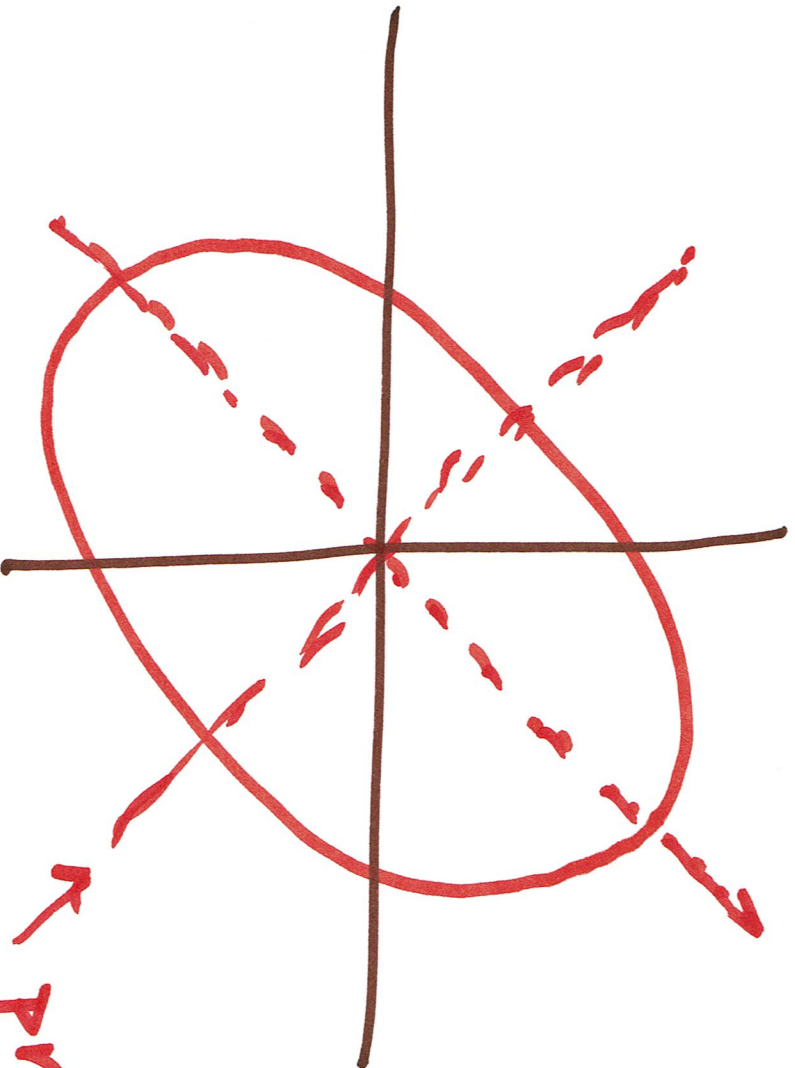
is pos-def



all $\lambda_i > 0$ for all $i=1, \dots, n$

Ex

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



unit circle

is an
ellipse

← principle axes
are e.s.-lines!