

# LINEAR ALGEBRA (finite-dimensional vector spaces)

for  $A, B$   $n \times n$  over  $\mathbb{F}$ ,  $A$  similar to  $B$  if  $\exists n \times n$   $P$  s.t.  $B = P^{-1}AP$ .

( $\hookrightarrow$  same det, rank, trace, evales, char poly.)

• for  $T: V \rightarrow V$  and  $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  basis of  $V$ :

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} T(v_1) = a_{11}v_1 + \dots + a_{n1}v_n \\ \vdots \\ T(v_n) = a_{1n}v_1 + \dots + a_{nn}v_n \end{array} \right\} \underline{[T]_B} = (a_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} \overset{T(v_1)}{\downarrow} & & \overset{T(v_n)}{\downarrow} \\ a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

ALGEBRAIC MULTIPLICITY:  $T: V \rightarrow V$  with char poly  $c_T(x)$ , then

$$p(x) = (x - \lambda)^{a(\lambda)} q(x), \text{ where } \lambda \text{ is not root of } q(x). \underline{a(\lambda)} \text{ algebraic mult.}$$

GEOMETRIC MULTIPLICITY:  $g(\lambda) = \dim E_\lambda = \dim(\ker(T - \lambda I))$ .

•  $g(\lambda) \leq a(\lambda)$  and equality iff  $T$  diagonalisable.

DIRECT SUM:  $V = V_1 \oplus V_2 \oplus \dots \oplus V_k$  for subspaces  $V_i$  of  $V$ , if

all  $v \in V$  can be expressed as  $v = v_1 + \dots + v_k$  for unique  $v_i \in V_i$ .

$$\text{e.g. } \mathbb{R}^2 = \mathcal{S}_p \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \oplus \mathcal{S}_p \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

PROP:  $V = V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_k \Leftrightarrow \dim V = \sum_{i=1}^k \dim V_i$  and if  $B_i$  basis for  $V_i$  then  $B_1 \cup \dots \cup B_k$  basis for  $V$ .

T-INVARIANT:  $T: V \rightarrow V$ ,  $W \subseteq V \rightarrow$  then  $W$  T-invariant if

$T(W) \subseteq W$ , and  $T_W: W \rightarrow W$  is restriction of  $T$  to  $W$ .

• for vector space  $V$  and subspace  $W$ , QUOTIENT SPACE  $V/W$

is a vector space of cosets  $\rightarrow \underline{W + v = \{w + v : w \in W\}}$ .

$$\hookrightarrow \underline{\dim V/W = \dim V - \dim W}.$$

• det of UPPER TRIANGULAR matrix is product of diagonal.

$\hookrightarrow$  diagonal elements are its evales.

TRIANGULARISATION THM: every matrix over  $\mathbb{C}$  similar to an upper triangular matrix. Generally, for  $T: V \rightarrow V$  and  $c_T(x) = \prod_{i=1}^n (x - \lambda_i)$  THEN  $\exists B$  basis of  $V$  s.t.  $[T]_B$  upper triangular.

CAYLEY-HAMILTON THM:  $T: V \rightarrow V$  with char poly  $p(x)$ ,  $\Rightarrow p(T) = 0$ .

EUCLIDEAN ALGORITHM:  $f, g \in \mathbb{F}[x]$  with  $\deg(f) \geq \deg(g)$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f &= q_1 g + r_1 \quad (\deg r_1 < \deg g) \\ g &= q_2 r_1 + r_2 \quad (\deg r_2 < \deg r_1) \\ &\vdots \\ r_{n-1} &= q_n r_n + \underline{r_{n+1}} \quad (\deg r_{n+1} < \deg r_n) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} r_{n+1} &= q_{n+1} r_{n+1} \\ \Rightarrow \gcd(f, g) &= \underline{r_{n+1}} \end{aligned}$$

MINIMAL POLYNOMIAL:  $m(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x]$  min poly of  $T: V \rightarrow V$  if,

$m(T) = 0$ ;  $m(x)$  monic;  $\deg(m)$  is as small as possible s.t. first two hold.

$\hookrightarrow m_T(x) \mid c_T(x)$  and  $m_T$  and  $c_T$  have same roots.

PRIMARY DECOMPOSITION THM:  $T: V \rightarrow V$  with  $m_T(x) = \prod_{i=1}^k f_i(x)^{n_i}$

$\Rightarrow$  for  $V_i = \ker(f_i(T)^{n_i})$ , THEN;  $V = V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_k$

and each  $V_i$   $T$ -invariant with each  $T|_{V_i}$  restriction has min poly  $f_i(x)^{n_i}$

$\hookrightarrow T: V \rightarrow V$  diagonalisable iff  $m_T(x)$  is product of distinct linear factors.

JORDAN BLOCK:  $J_n(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & & & 0 \\ & & \lambda & \dots & & 0 \\ & & & \ddots & & \lambda \\ & & & & \lambda & 1 \\ & & & & & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{char poly} = \text{min poly} = (x - \lambda)^n$

JORDAN CANONICAL FORM:  $A$   $n \times n$  and char poly is product of linear factors over  $\mathbb{F}$ . Then  $A$  similar to matrix of form;

$$J = J_{n_1}(\lambda_1) \oplus \dots \oplus J_{n_k}(\lambda_k) \quad \text{where } \sum n_i = n.$$

$\hookrightarrow$  matrix is uniquely determined by  $A$  upto reordering of Jordan blocks.

• in JCF, total dimension of all  $\lambda$ -blocks =  $a(\lambda) \leftarrow$  ALGEBRAIC MULT.

number of  $\lambda$ -blocks =  $g(\lambda) \leftarrow$  GEOMETRIC MULT.

largest power of  $\lambda$  in  $m_A(x)$  is size of largest  $\lambda$ -block.

•  $\text{rank}(A - \lambda I) = n - g(\lambda)$  [RANK-NUCLITY].

JORDAN BASIS e.g.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $c_A(x) = m_A(x) = x(x-1)^3$ .

$\Rightarrow$  primary decomp:  $V = \ker(A) \oplus \ker(A-I)^3$

$\Rightarrow$  JCF =  $J_1(0) \oplus J_3(1)$ . For Jordan basis, need basis vector of  $\ker A$  AND vector of  $\ker(A-I)^3 = v_1$ , NOT IN and INDEPENDENT of  $\ker(A-I)^2$  and  $\ker(A-I)$ .

$\Rightarrow$  basis = {basis vector of  $\ker A$ ,  $(A-I)^2 v_1$ ,  $(A-I)v_1$ ,  $v_1$ }.

e.g. (2)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $c_A(x) = (x-1)^3 = m_A(x)$ .

$\hookrightarrow \ker(A-I) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} =$  vector.

now find  $\rightarrow (A-I) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

"  $\rightarrow (A-I) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  Jordan basis vector

CYCLIC SUBSPACE:  $T: V \rightarrow V$ , then  $Z(v, T) = \text{Sp}\{v, T(v), T^2(v), \dots\}$ .

T-ANNHILATOR: let  $T^k(v)$  be first vector s.t.  $T^k = -a_0 v - a_1 T - \dots - a_{k-1} T^{k-1}$ .

$\Rightarrow m_v(x) = x^k + a_{k-1}x^{k-1} + \dots + a_0 \rightarrow$  monic poly of smallest degree s.t.  $m_v(T(v)) = 0$ .

CYCLIC DECOMPOSITION THM:  $T: V \rightarrow V$  with  $m_T(x) = f(x)^k$

then  $\exists v_1, \dots, v_r \in V$  s.t.  $V = Z(v_1, T) \oplus \dots \oplus Z(v_r, T)$

each  $Z(v_i, T)$  has T-annihilator  $f(x)^{k_i}$ .

$\Rightarrow \exists$  basis  $B$  of  $V$  s.t.  $[T]_B = C(f(x)^{k_1}) \oplus \dots \oplus C(f(x)^{k_r})$ .

RATIONAL CANONICAL FORM:  $T: V \rightarrow V$  with  $m_T(x) = \prod_{i=1}^r f_i(x)^{k_i}$

then  $\exists$  basis of  $V$ ,  $B$ , s.t.  $[T]_B = C(f_1(x)^{k_{11}}) \oplus \dots \oplus C(f_1(x)^{k_{1r_1}}) \oplus \dots$   
 $\oplus C(f_2(x)^{k_{21}}) \oplus \dots \oplus C(f_t(x)^{k_{tr_t}})$

where for each  $i \rightarrow k_i = k_{i1} \geq \dots \geq k_{ir_i}$  [uniquely determined by  $T$ ]  
 $\wedge$  highest power in min poly.

e.g.  $G_T(x) = (x^2 + x + 1)^4 (x^3 + x + 1) \rightarrow$  dimension 11

$$m_T(x) = (x^2 + x + 1)^2 (x^3 + x + 1) \quad \text{over } \mathbb{F}_2$$

$$\text{rank}(A^2 + A + I) = 5$$

$\hookrightarrow$  RCF of  $A$  has:  $C((x^2 + x + 1)^2) \oplus C(x^3 + x + 1)$

then either  $C(x^2 + x + 1) \oplus C(x^2 + x + 1)$  OR  $C((x^2 + x + 1)^2)$ .

$$\text{rank}(A^2 + A + I) = 5 \Rightarrow \text{nullity} = 11 - 5 = \underline{6}$$

$\therefore$  # of  $x^2 + x + 1$  blocks =  $6 \div 2 = 3$   
 $\wedge$  degree of poly in question.

$$\Rightarrow A \sim C((x^2 + x + 1)^2) \oplus C(x^2 + x + 1) \oplus C(x^2 + x + 1) \oplus C(x^3 + x + 1)$$

LINEAR FUNCTIONAL: linear map  $\phi: V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$  s.t.

$$\phi(\alpha v_1 + \beta v_2) = \alpha \phi(v_1) + \beta \phi(v_2) \quad \forall v_i \in V, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{F}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  e.g. proj map  $\pi_i: (x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_i$  OR trace map  $A \mapsto \text{tr}(A)$ .

$$\bullet \quad \underline{(\phi_1 + \phi_2)(v) = \phi_1(v) + \phi_2(v)} \quad ; \quad \underline{(\lambda \phi)(v) = \lambda \cdot \phi(v)}$$

DUAL SPACE:  $V^* = \{ \phi \mid \phi: V \rightarrow \mathbb{F} \text{ linear functional} \}$   $\rightarrow$  set of all linear functionals  $\rightarrow$  vector space itself.

DUAL BASIS:  $B = \{ v_1, \dots, v_n \}$  basis of  $V$ . Define  $\phi_i \in V^*$  by;

$$\underline{\phi_i(\sum \alpha_j v_j) = \alpha_i} \quad (\text{OR } \phi_i(v_j) = \delta_{ij})$$

$\Rightarrow \{ \phi_1, \dots, \phi_n \}$  basis of  $V^*$ .

e.g.  $V = \mathbb{F}^n$  with standard basis  $e_1, \dots, e_n$   
 dual basis is  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_n$  (proj maps).

ANNIHILATOR: for  $X \subseteq V$ ,  $X^\circ$  of  $X$  is  $X^\circ = \{ \phi \in V^* : \phi(x) = 0 \forall x \in X \}$

↳ N.B.:  $X^\circ$  subspace of  $V^*$ .

for  $W \subseteq V$ ,  $\dim W^\circ = \dim V - \dim W$ .

INNER PRODUCT: map  $V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$  by  $(u, v) \in \mathbb{F}$  s.t.

\* ①  $(\lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2, w) = \lambda_1 (v_1, w) + \lambda_2 (v_2, w)$  left-linear

②  $(v, w) = \overline{(w, v)}$     ③  $(v, v) > 0$  for  $v \neq 0$ .

• if  $(v, w) = (v, x) \forall v \in V \Rightarrow w = x$ .

↳ e.g. DOT PRODUCT  $x \cdot y = \sum x_i \bar{y}_i = x^T \bar{y}$ . (or  $A = \bar{A}^T$ )

• Matrix of an inner product is HERMITIAN  $\rightarrow A^T = \bar{A}$ .

↳ e.g.  $(v, w) = [v]_B^T A [\bar{w}]_B$  for basis  $B$ .

Unitary is  $A^T \bar{A} = I$

POSITIVE-DEFINITE: if Hermitian  $A$  s.t.  $x^T A \bar{x} > 0$ .

(↳ makes sense only for Hermitian since they have non-complex evales.  
"positive" doesn't make sense in complex)

CAUCHY-SCHWARZ:  $|(u, v)| \leq \|u\| \cdot \|v\|$ .

GRAM-SCHMIDT: create orthonormal basis, given any basis.

- start with  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  basis of  $V$ . create orthonormal  $u_1, \dots, u_n$ .

$u_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|}$ ,  $w_2 = v_2 - (v_2, u_1) u_1$ , so  $u_2 = \frac{w_2}{\|w_2\|}$ .

$w_3 = v_3 - (v_3, u_1) u_1 - (v_3, u_2) u_2$ , so  $u_3 = \frac{w_3}{\|w_3\|}$  etc.

generally,  $w_i = v_i - (v_i, u_1) u_1 - \dots - (v_i, u_{i-1}) u_{i-1} \rightarrow$  then normalise.

for  $W \subseteq V$ ,  $W^\perp = \{ u \in V : (u, w) = 0 \forall w \in W \}$  set of vectors in  $V$  which are orthogonal to everything in  $W$ .

↳  $W^\perp$  subspace of  $V$ .

• for  $W \subseteq V$ ,  $V = W \oplus W^\perp$

for linear map  $T: V \rightarrow V$ ,  $\exists T^*: V \rightarrow V$  s.t.  $(T(u), v) = (u, T^*(v))$

$T^*$  is ADJOINT of  $T$  and if  $T = T^*$  then SELF-ADJOINT.

Given orthonormal basis  $E = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $T: V \rightarrow V$

THEN,  $[T^*]_E = \overline{[T]_E}^T$ .

$\rightarrow$  if  $T = T^*$   
then  
Hermitian.

SPECTRAL THM: Given self-adjoint  $T: V \rightarrow V$ , THEN  $V$  has  
orthonormal set of  $T$ -eigenvectors.

Given symmetric / Hermitian  $A$ , then  $\exists$  orthogonal / unitary  $P$   
s.t.  $P^{-1}AP$  diagonal.

BILINEAR FORM: map:  $V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$  both left- and right-linear.

e.g.  $(A, B) = \text{tr}(AB)$  or  $V = \mathbb{F}^n$ ,  $(u, v) = u^T A v$   $\leftarrow$  all bilinear forms like this

SYMMETRIC if  $(u, v) = (v, u)$ ; SKEW-SYMMETRIC if  $(u, v) = -(v, u)$   $\forall u, v \in V$

$\hookrightarrow A^T = A$ .

$\hookrightarrow A^T = -A$ .

(again, for  $W \subseteq V$ ,  $W^\perp = \{v \in V : (v, w) = 0 \forall w \in W\}$ .  $\rightarrow$  subspace of  $V$ ).

NON-DEGENERATE: if  $V^\perp = 0$  i.e.  $(u, v) = 0 \forall v \in V \Rightarrow u = 0$ .

$\hookrightarrow$  only vector 'perpendicular' to all others in space is  $0$ .

$\hookrightarrow$  for non-degen  $\dim W^\perp = \dim V - \dim W$  analogous to  $W^\circ$   
 $W^\circ = \{f \in V^* : f(v) = 0 \forall v \in W\}$

MATRIX of a BILINEAR FORM non-degen iff matrix invertible.

CONGRUENT:  $A, B$  congruent if  $\exists P$  s.t.  $B = P^T A P$ .

then if  $(u, v)_1 = u^T A v$  AND  $(u, v)_2 = u^T B v$

$\hookrightarrow$  (.)<sub>1</sub> and (.)<sub>2</sub> EQUIVALENT.

any non-degen skew-symmetric equivalent to  $(x, y) = x^T J_m y$

for  $J_m = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \oplus \dots \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  for  $n = 2m$ .

any symmetric bilinear form equivalent to diagonal bilinear form (for symm  $A$ ,  $A = P D P^T$ )  $\rightarrow$  SPECTRAL.

ALGORITHM to compute ORTHOGONAL BASIS given BILINEAR FORM:

e.g.  $(x, y) = x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1 = (x_1, x_2) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

pick  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  then  $(v_1, v_1) = 2 \neq 0 \checkmark$ . Now want  $v_2 \in v_1^\perp$  s.t.  $(v_2, v_2) \neq 0$ . clearly,  $v_1^\perp = \text{sp} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \Rightarrow v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$ .

(if more dimensions, find  $v_3 \in \{v_1, v_2\}^\perp$  s.t.  $(v_3, v_3) \neq 0$  etc.)

QUADRATIC FORM:  $Q: V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ ,  $Q(v) = (v, v)$  s.t.  $(,)$  is symmetric bilinear form on  $V$ .

change of variables  $\rightarrow x = P y$ , then;

$$Q(x) = (P y)^T A (P y) = y^T (P^T A P) y = Q'(y)$$

$\hookrightarrow Q$  and  $Q'$  EQUIVALENT since matrices CONJUGATE.

$\Rightarrow P = (v_1 | v_2)$  for orthogonal basis  $v_1, v_2$  then  $x = P y$  admits diagonal  $Q(x)$

every quadratic form can be diagonalised:

$$Q_0(x) = \lambda_1 x_1^2 + \dots + \lambda_n x_n^2 = x^T \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} x$$

For non-degen quadratic form  $Q: V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ ,

• if  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$  then <sup>every</sup>  $Q$  equivalent to one with  $I_n$

$$Q_0(x) = x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = x^T I_n x$$

• if  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$  then <sup>every</sup>  $Q$  equivalent to one with  $I_{pq}$

$$Q_{pq}(x) = x_1^2 + \dots + x_p^2 - x_{p+1}^2 - \dots - x_{p+q}^2 = x^T I_{pq} x$$

where  $I_{pq} = \begin{pmatrix} I_p & 0 \\ 0 & -I_q \end{pmatrix}$ ,

(• if  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Q}$ , then infinitely many non-equivalent  $Q$ .)