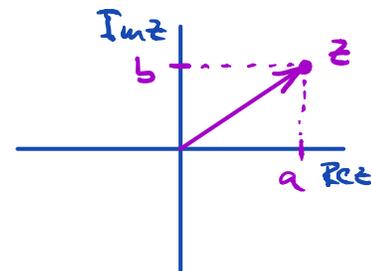


Lecture 35. § 4.6 Complex eigenvalues & eigenspaces  
Real Symmetric Matrices

Recall • Complex numbers  $z = a + ib$   $a = \operatorname{Re}(z) \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $(\mathbb{C})$   $b = \operatorname{Im}(z) \in \mathbb{R}$



•  $i$  satisfies  $i^2 = -1$

• Addition:  $(a + ib) + (c + id) = (a + c) + i(b + d)$

• Multiplication:  $(a + ib)(c + id) = (ac - bd) + i(ad + bc)$

• Complex conjugation:  $z = a + ib \rightsquigarrow \bar{z} = a - ib$

Properties ①  $\overline{z \cdot w} = \bar{z} \cdot \bar{w}$  , ②  $\overline{z + w} = \bar{z} + \bar{w}$

• Modulus:  $|z| = \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2} \rightsquigarrow$  ①  $z \cdot \bar{z} = |z|^2$   
②  $|z \cdot w| = |z| |w|$

So  $z \neq 0$  has  $z^{-1} = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2}$

Fundamental Theorem: Every polynomial in  $\mathbb{C}[x]$  of degree  $\geq 1$  has a root in  $\mathbb{C}$

Consequence: Roots of polynomials in  $\mathbb{R}[x]$   $\begin{cases} \rightarrow \text{real roots} \\ \rightarrow \text{conjugate pairs (same mult.)} \end{cases}$

## Vectors in $\mathbb{C}^n$

Def.: Same as for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , but now entries are complex numbers!

Write  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$  & impose  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are in  $\mathbb{C}$

- Addition in  $\mathbb{C}^n$
- Scalar multiplication =

⚠ Dot Product in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ : defined using complex conjugation

$\mathbb{C}^n$  is a  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector space

Structure: + defined entry by entry, scalars = now in  $\mathbb{C}$  (instead of  $\mathbb{R}$ )

① Closure Properties: (C1)  $\vec{x}, \vec{y}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , then  $\vec{x} + \vec{y}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$

(C2)  $\vec{x}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , then  $\alpha \vec{x}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$

② Addition Properties: (A1)  $\vec{x} + \vec{y} = \vec{y} + \vec{x}$  (Commutative)

(A2)  $\vec{x} + (\vec{y} + \vec{z}) = (\vec{x} + \vec{y}) + \vec{z}$  (Associative)

(Neutral element)  $\leftarrow$  (A3)  $\vec{0}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  satisfies  $\vec{x} + \vec{0} = \vec{0} + \vec{x} = \vec{x}$  for all  $\vec{x}$ .

(Additive Inverses)  $\leftarrow$  (A4) Given  $\vec{x}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  we can find " $-\vec{x}$ " in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with  $\vec{x} + (-\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$  (here " $-\vec{x}$ " =  $(-1)\vec{x}$ )

③ Scalar Mult. Properties: (M1)  $\alpha(\beta \vec{x}) = (\alpha\beta) \vec{x}$  (Associative)

(M2)  $\alpha(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = \alpha \vec{x} + \alpha \vec{y}$  (Distributive 1)

(M3)  $(\alpha + \beta) \vec{x} = \alpha \vec{x} + \beta \vec{x}$  (Distributive 2)

(M4)  $1 \vec{x} = \vec{x}$  for all  $\vec{x}$

(A4) follows from (C2)

• Same ideas allow us to define

①  $\text{Sp}_{\mathbb{C}}(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p) =$

②  $\mathbb{C}$ -Linear independence in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ :

③ Subspaces  $W$  of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ : 3 properties must hold

(S1)

(S2)

(S3)

④ Basis  $B = \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$  for a subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ :

## Abstract vector spaces over $\mathbb{C}$

- Same as for  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector spaces but now scalars are in  $\mathbb{C}$   
(10 properties from  $\mathbb{C}^n$  model  $\mathbb{C}$ -abstract vector spaces)
- 2 main examples:

## Eigenvectors in $\mathbb{C}^n$

Pick  $A$   $n \times n$  matrix with real entries, with  $\lambda$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  an eigenvalue

$$\leadsto E_\lambda = \{ \vec{v} \text{ in } \mathbb{C}^n : A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v} \} = \mathcal{N}(A - \lambda I_n) \text{ in } \mathbb{C}^n$$

Q: How to find  $\mathcal{N}(A - \lambda I_n)$ ?

$$(1) E_{2+i} = \mathcal{N} \begin{pmatrix} 1-i & 1 \\ -2 & -1-i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2) E_{2-i} = \mathcal{N} \begin{pmatrix} 1+i & 1 \\ -2 & -1+i \end{pmatrix}$$

## Special case: real Symmetric Matrices

Key Theorem: A real  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix, then all its eigenvalues are real