

# Non-square diagonal matrices

**Aim lecture:** We apply the spectral theory of hermitian operators to look at linear maps  $T : V \rightarrow W$  which are not necessarily endomorphisms. This gives useful factorisations of non-square matrices.

In this lecture,  $V, W$  will denote fin dim inner product spaces.

## Defn

A not necessarily square matrix  $D = (d_{ij})_{ij} \in M_{mn}(\mathbb{C})$  is *diagonal* if  $d_{ij} = 0$  whenever  $i \neq j$ . It's *diagonal entries* are  $d_{11}, d_{22}, \dots$

**E.g.**

**Basic Question** Can you find co-ord systems  $C_V : \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow V, C_W : \mathbb{F}^m \rightarrow W$  so that the representing matrix  $C_W^{-1} \circ T \circ C_V \in M_{mn}(\mathbb{F})$  is diagonal? What if you are only allowed orthonormal co-ord systems?

# New version of isomorphism thm

Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be linear & pick vector space complements  $V' \leq V$  to  $\ker T$  and  $W' \leq W$  to  $\operatorname{im} T$ . We thus have natural isomorphisms between external & internal direct sums  $\Phi_V : V' \oplus \ker T \rightarrow V, \Phi_W : \operatorname{im} T \oplus W' \rightarrow W$ .

## Prop 1

The corresponding map on external direct sums

$\Phi_W^{-1} \circ T \circ \Phi_V : V' \oplus \ker T \rightarrow \operatorname{im} T \oplus W'$  has matrix form

$$\begin{pmatrix} T|_{V'} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $T|_{V'} : V' \rightarrow \operatorname{im} T$  is an isomorphism.

**Proof.** Note that  $T|_{V'}$  is an isomorphism by the isom thm of lecture 18. We verify the matrix form by considering  $\mathbf{v}' \in V', \mathbf{v} \in \ker T$  and computing

$$\begin{pmatrix} T|_{V'} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}' \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\Phi_W^{-1} \circ T \circ \Phi_V \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}' \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} =$$

# Diagonal forms

Continue notn from last slide. Pick co-ord systems

$C_{V'} : \mathbb{F}^r \rightarrow V'$ ,  $C_{\ker} : \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow \ker T$ . Hence

$(C_{V'} \ C_{\ker}) = \Phi_V \circ (C_{V'} \oplus C_{\ker}) : \mathbb{F}^{r+n} \rightarrow V$  is the corresponding co-ord system on  $V$ .

Note  $C_{\text{im}} = T|_{V'} \circ C_{V'} : \mathbb{F}^r \rightarrow V' \rightarrow \text{im } T$  is a co-ord system for  $\text{im } T$  and pick a co-ord system  $C_{W'} : \mathbb{F}^m \rightarrow W'$  for  $W'$  so  $(C_{\text{im}} \ C_{W'})$  is a co-ord system for  $W$ .

## Cor

Wrt co-ord systems  $(C_{V'} \ C_{\ker})$ ,  $(C_{\text{im}} \ C_{W'})$ ,  $T$  is represented by the

$(r+m) \times (r+n)$ -matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  where  $r = \text{rank } T$ .

**Proof.** Note first  $r = \dim \text{im } T = \text{rank } T$ . We now compute

$$(C_{\text{im}} \ C_{W'})^{-1} \circ T \circ (C_{V'} \ C_{\ker}) = \begin{pmatrix} C_{\text{im}} & 0 \\ 0 & C_{W'} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \circ \Phi_{W'}^{-1} \circ T \circ \Phi_V \circ \begin{pmatrix} C_{V'} & 0 \\ 0 & C_{\ker} \end{pmatrix} =$$

# Thought experiment

**Q** Suppose  $A \in M_{mn}(\mathbb{C})$  can be factorised as  $A = U_l D U_r^*$  with  $U_l, U_r$  unitary matrices of size  $m, n$  resp &  $D = (d_{ij})_{ij}$  diagonal. How do you find  $U_l, U_r, D$  in terms of  $A$ ?

**Trick** Eliminate  $U_l$  by considering  $A^*A = U_r D^* U_l^* U_l D U_r^* = U_r D^* D U_r^*$

**Observation** Note  $D^*D \in M_{nn}$  is square diagonal with (ex) diagonal entries  $\overline{d_{ij}}d_{ij} \geq 0$ . We have thus unitarily diagonalised  $A^*A$ .

## Upshot

If indeed we can factorise  $A = U_l D U_r^*$  as above then our observation suggests trying

- 1 the columns  $\mathbf{u}_i$  of  $U_r$  are an orthonormal basis of e-vectors for  $A^*A$ .
- 2 the diagonal entries of  $D$  have square modulus the corresp e-values of  $A^*A$ .
- 3 obtain  $U_l$  by solving  $A U_r = U_l D$  if possible, i.e. if  $\mathbf{u}'_i$  is the  $i$ -th column of  $U_l$  then comparing  $i$ -th columns gives  $A \mathbf{u}_i = d_{ij} \mathbf{u}'_i$ .

# Singular values

Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be linear as usual.

## Prop-Defn

- 1)  $T^*T$  is a hermitian operator with e-values which are non-negative reals.
- 2) We may write the positive e-values as  $\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_\rho^2$  for unique positive reals  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_\rho$ . These  $\sigma_i$  are called the *singular values of A*.
- 3) Let  $E_{\sigma_i^2}$  be the  $\sigma_i^2$ -e-space of  $T^*T$ . Then  $(\ker T)^\perp = \bigoplus_i E_{\sigma_i^2}$ .

**Proof.** 1) Note  $T^*T$  is hermitian since  $(T^*T)^* = T^*T^{**} = T^*T$ . Let  $\mathbf{v} \in V$  be an e-vector with e-value  $\lambda$ . Then

$$\lambda(\mathbf{v}|\mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{v}|\lambda\mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{v}|T^*T\mathbf{v}) = (T\mathbf{v}|T\mathbf{v}) \geq 0$$

so  $\lambda$  is non-negative real.

3) Note from Prop lecture 36, that  $\ker T = \ker T^*T = E_0$ . The result follows from the orthogonal direct sum decomposition of e-spaces for  $T^*T$ .

# Example

**E.g.** What are the singular values of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

# Singular value decomposition theorem

Let  $A \in M_{mn}(\mathbb{C})$  and  $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_\rho$  be an o/n basis of e-vectors for  $(\ker A)^\perp = \bigoplus_i E_{\sigma_i^2}$  &  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_\rho$  be the corresponding singular values. Let  $\mathbf{u}_{\rho+1}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n$  be an o/n basis  $\ker A$  so  $U_r = (\mathbf{u}_1 \dots \mathbf{u}_n)$  is a unitary matrix defining a co-ord system adapted to the direct sum decomposition  $\mathbb{C}^n = (\ker T)^\perp \oplus \ker T$  as in Prop 1.

## Theorem (Singular decomposition)

We have the factorisation  $A = U_l D U_r^*$  (called *singular value decomposition*) where

- 1  $U_r$  is the unitary  $n \times n$ -matrix above.
- 2  $D = (d_{ij})_{ij} \in M_{mn}(\mathbb{R})$  is the diagonal matrix whose non-zero diagonal entries are  $d_{ii} = \sigma_i, i = 1, \dots, \rho$ .
- 3  $U_l = (\mathbf{u}'_1 \dots \mathbf{u}'_m)$  is unitary with columns  $\mathbf{u}'_i = \sigma_i^{-1} A \mathbf{u}_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, \rho$  &  $\mathbf{u}'_{\rho+1}, \dots, \mathbf{u}'_m$  an o/n basis for  $(\text{im } A)^\perp$ .

**Rem** There is choice in the possible unitary matrices  $U_l, U_r$ . Also  $U_l$  defines a co-ord system adapted to the direct sum decompn  $\mathbb{C}^m = \text{im } A \oplus (\text{im } A)^\perp$  as in Prop 1.

**Proof** will follow

## Example cont'd

**E.g.** Find a singular value decomposition for  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ?



# Sketch proof thm

The proof follows along the same lines as the proof of the corollary using Prop 1. That argument reduces us to showing

## Lemma

- 1)  $(\mathbf{u}'_1 \dots \mathbf{u}'_\rho) : \mathbb{F}^\rho \rightarrow \text{im } A$  defines an o/n co-ord system.
- 2) The matrix representing the associated linear map  $T_A|_{(\ker A)^\perp} : (\ker A)^\perp \rightarrow \text{im } A$  wrt co-ord systems  $C = (\mathbf{u}_1 \dots \mathbf{u}_\rho)$ ,  $C' = (\mathbf{u}'_1 \dots \mathbf{u}'_\rho)$  is the square diagonal matrix  $(\sigma_1) \oplus \dots \oplus (\sigma_\rho)$ .

**Proof.** 1) Note  $\{\mathbf{u}'_1 \dots \mathbf{u}'_\rho\}$  spans  $\text{im } A$  since  $\text{im } A = \text{Span}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_n) = \text{Span}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_\rho) = \text{Span}(\mathbf{u}'_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}'_\rho)$   
To check they form an o/n basis, we need now only check orthogonality  $(\mathbf{u}'_i | \mathbf{u}'_j) = (\sigma_i^{-1} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_i | \sigma_j^{-1} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_j) = (\sigma_i \sigma_j)^{-1} (\mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_i | \mathbf{u}_j)$   
$$= (\sigma_i \sigma_j)^{-1} (\sigma_i^2 \mathbf{u}_i | \mathbf{u}_j) = \sigma_i \sigma_j^{-1} (\mathbf{u}_i | \mathbf{u}_j)$$
which is 0 if  $i \neq j$  and 1 if  $i = j$ . 1) is now proved.

2) We calculate the  $i$ -th column of the representing matrix to be  $(C')^{-1} \circ T_A|_{(\ker A)^\perp} \circ C\mathbf{e}_i = (C')^{-1} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_i = (C')^{-1} \sigma_i \mathbf{u}'_i = \sigma_i \mathbf{e}_i$