

Previously

$$M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

Properties of Symmetric Real Matrices

- ① Eigenvalues are real.
- ② Eigenvectors corresponding to different eigenvalues are orthogonal.
- ③ If  $M$  has an O.N.E.V.B.  
(orthonormal, eigenvectors,  
basis)  
then  $M$  is symmetric.
- ④ If  $P$  is the change of basis matrix  
from one ONB to another ONB  
then  $P^{-1} = P^T$ .
- ⑤ If  $M$  has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues  
 $\Rightarrow M$  has an ONEV.B

# Spectral Theorem

$M$  is symmetric  $\Leftrightarrow M$  has  
ONEB

## Theorem:

$M$  is symmetric  $\Rightarrow M$  has  
ONEB

## Proof:

The char polynomial of  $M$  has at least  
1 root. If  $M$  is symmetric then it  
has to be real.

$\lambda_1 \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $\mathbb{R}$

$w_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$M w_1 = \lambda_1 w_1 \quad (\text{which is non-zero})$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} w_1 = \operatorname{Re}(w_1) \text{ or } \operatorname{Im}(w_1) \\ \uparrow \\ M (\operatorname{Re}(w_1) + i \operatorname{Im}(w_1)) \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \lambda_1 \left( \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ \end{array} \right)$$

$\therefore w_1$  also has  
eigenvalue  $\lambda_1$

We will find O.N.B for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\{w_1', w_2', \dots, w_n'\}$$

basis for  $w_i'$

P - change of basis matrix

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \dim(w_i') \\ = n-1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$M' = P^{-1} M P = P^T M P$$

$$M' \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} P^{-1} = P^T \\ \Downarrow \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(M')^T = P^T M P = M'$$

$$M' = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{M'} & & & \\ 0 & & & & \\ 0 & & & & \\ 0 & & & & \end{bmatrix}$$

$M' \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-1) \times (n-1)}$   
 $M'$  is symmetric

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

(by mathematical induction)

$$M'' = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{M''} & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \end{bmatrix}$$

$M'' \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-2) \times (n-2)}$   
 $M''$  symmetric

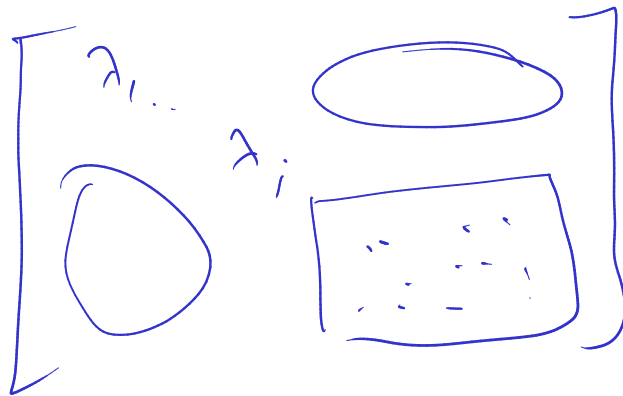
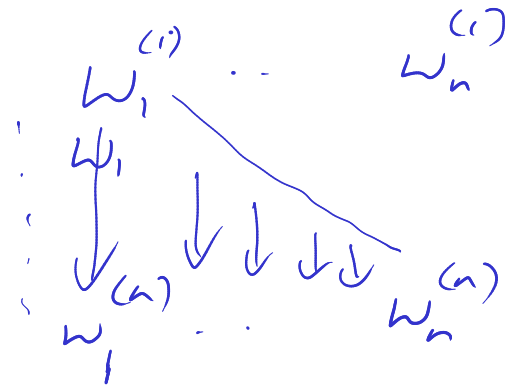
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$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & & & \\ & & \ddots & & & \\ & & & \lambda_n & & \\ & & & & & \end{bmatrix} = P^{-1} M P$$

$W_1^{(2)} = W_1^{(1)}$

in some O.N.B

→ O.N.E.V.B



$\{ W_1^{(i)}, W_2^{(i)}, \dots, W_i^{(i)}, W_{i+1}^{(i)}, \dots, W_n^{(i)} \}$   
 e.vectors.                      need not be e.vectors.

$\{ W_1^{(n)}, W_2^{(n)}, \dots, W_n^{(n)} \}$        $\boxtimes$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \\ & \tilde{M} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-1) \times (n-1)}$$

$$\tilde{M}v = \lambda_2 v$$

$$v \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$$

Then  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{bmatrix}$  is e. vect of  $M$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda_2$

$$M \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \tilde{M}v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \lambda_2 v \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

## Spectral Decomposition Theorem

$M$  is symmetric  $\Leftrightarrow M$  can be written

$$\text{as } M = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i u_i u_i^T$$

where  $\lambda_i, u_i$  are eigenvalue, vectors

and  $u_i$ 's are O.N.B.

$v v^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , symmetric, outer product  
rank = 1

Proof:

$\Leftarrow$

sum of sym matrices is sym.

$\Rightarrow$

$M \quad \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$   
 $u_1, \dots, u_n$  O.N.B

$$M' = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i u_i u_i^T$$

Is  $M' = M$ ?

$$v \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(v v^T)_{ij} = v_i v_j$$

Claim

$$\text{If } M' = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i' u_i' u_i'^T$$

then  $\lambda_i'$  has to be eigen values of  $M'$

$u_i'$  has to be eigen vectors of  $M'$

Proof:

$$M' u_i' = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i' u_i' (u_i'^T u_i')$$

$$= \lambda_i' u_i' \cdot 1$$

□

$\forall v \in \mathbb{R}^n,$

$$M v = M \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \langle v, u_i' \rangle u_i' \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \langle v, u_i' \rangle \lambda_i' u_i'$$

$$= M' v \Rightarrow M = M'$$